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TO: Honorable Dade Phelan, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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IN RE: HB1299 by Davis, Sarah (Relating to requiring the comptroller of public accounts to establish and maintain a political subdivision disaster expenditure database.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB1299, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$405,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2021.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2020	(\$405,000)
2021	\$0
2022	\$0
2023	\$0
2024	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund
2020	(\$405,000)
2021	\$0
2022	\$0
2023	\$0
2024	\$0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would require the Comptroller of Public Accounts to establish and maintain on the Internet an electronically searchable database that contains certain information for each political

subdivision regarding the total amount budgeted for, total amount spent for, and total amount received related to disaster preparedness, response, rebuilding and mitigation for each fiscal year. Each political subdivision would be required to submit this information in a form and manner prescribed by the Comptroller. The Comptroller would be required to establish and post on the Internet the database not later than September 1, 2020.

Methodology

Based on the analysis of the Comptroller, there would be a one-time technology cost to develop the political subdivision disaster expenditure database.

Technology

The Comptroller indicates the one-time technology cost of \$405,000 in fiscal year 2020 includes the cost for an estimated 2,700 hours of database coding and programming to establish and maintain a searchable database of all political subdivision disaster expenditures. The process would require the creation of mainframe tables, a security portal, an eSystems application to enter/update information, and a business intelligence application to search, sort, and view information for public use.

Local Government Impact

School districts could face some costs related to compiling and reporting the data required under the bill. However, those costs are not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 701 Texas Education Agency

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