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TO: Honorable Senfronia Thompson, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

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IN RE: **HB1540** by Thompson, Senfronia (Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Funeral Service Commission; authorizing fees.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB1540, Committee Report 1st House, Substituted: a negative impact of (\$1,000) 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	(\$500)
2021	(\$500)
2022	(\$500)
2023	(\$500)
2024	(\$500)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from General Revenue Fund 1
2020	(\$500)
2021	(\$500)
2022	(\$500)
2023	(\$500)
2024	(\$500)

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code and Occupations Code relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Funeral Service Commission.

The bill would continue the agency for twelve years until September 1, 2031.

The bill would discontinue the regulation of non-perpetual care cemeteries.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2019.

Methodology

According to the Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA), discontinuing the regulation of non-perpetual care cemeteries would result in a decrease in revenue for the Funeral Service Commission. The CPA estimates a decrease of \$500 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2020 and each subsequent fiscal year.

The CPA, Sunset Advisory Commission, Office of the Attorney General, and Funeral Service Commission indicate that any costs related to implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 513 Funeral Service Commission, 116 Sunset Advisory Commission, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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