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TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2840 by Canales (Relating to the right of a member of the public to address the governing body of a political subdivision at an open meeting of the body.), As Engrossed

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to restrict the authority of certain government bodies to regulate members of the public expressing public criticism of the body. The bill would also require these bodies to allow each member of the public who desires to address the body to do so, subject to certain rules.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies:

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