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TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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IN RE: **SB29** by Hall (relating to the use by a political subdivision of money for lobbying and certain other activities.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to modify an existing restriction on the use of public money for lobbying activities by political subdivisions. The bill would define certain activities by political subdivisions or organizations representing political subdivisions that are exempt from this prohibition.

Local Government Impact

According to the Texas Municipal League, the cost of the bill cannot be determined but could be substantial due to future changes in laws that could impose unfunded mandates on cities and the passage of legislation that could be detrimental to the interests of municipal residents.

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