

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**TO:** Honorable Brian Birdwell, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

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

**IN RE: SB649** by Zaffirini (Relating to promotion of the use of recyclable materials as feedstock for manufacturing.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for SB649, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2021.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

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

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>Waste Management Acct</i> 549
2020	(\$500,000)
2021	\$0
2022	\$0
2023	\$0
2024	\$0

## **Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would require the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to produce a plan to stimulate the use of recyclable materials as feedstock in manufacturing in cooperation with the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office. The bill provides details on the plan's contents, how the agency must prepare the plan, requires that the plan be updated every five years, and permits TCEQ to contract with public or private entities to produce the plan. The bill would also require TCEQ to develop an educational program with specific contents as provided in the bill and requires the agency to update this program at least every five years.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019 unless it receives a two-thirds vote of all members in which case it would take effect immediately.

## **Methodology**

Based on the analysis of TCEQ, it is assumed that TCEQ would need to contract with a public, private, or nonprofit organization to produce the recycling plan for an estimated cost of \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and that this cost would recur with each five-year update of the plan. Based on information provided by TCEQ, this analysis assumes that development of the educational program can be absorbed with existing resources.

## **Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 300 Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor, 582  
Commission on Environmental Quality

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