

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

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**TO:** Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

**IN RE: SJR32** by Birdwell (Proposing a constitutional amendment to allow the transfer of a dog used for county law enforcement purposes to the dog's handler on the dog's retirement.),  
**As Introduced**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated**, other than the cost of publication.

The cost to the state for publication of the resolution is \$177,289.

The bill proposes amending the Texas Constitution to provide that on the retirement of a dog owned and used by a county for law enforcement purposes, the county may transfer ownership of the dog to the dog's handler at no cost to the handler. The bill provides that the amendment will be placed on the November 5, 2019 general election ballot, and it provides the ballot language.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State

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