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**TO:** Honorable Chris Paddie, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1810** by Capriglione (Relating to maintenance and production of electronic public information under the public information law.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend Chapter 552 of the Government Code to expand the definition of public information to include a data dictionary or other information describing the data held in a database. Implementing the provisions of the bill would require a governmental body to provide an electronic copy of public information maintained in an electronic form or in a format acceptable to the requestor. A governmental body would not be able to refuse to provide an electronic copy if it will require commands or instructions that can be executed within the normal course of business. The governmental body would not be required to purchase additional software to comply. Based on this analysis, it is assumed that the provisions of the bill could be implemented using existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 300 Trusteed Programs - Gov, 302 Office of the Attorney General, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 305 General Land Office, 307 Secretary of State, 313 Department of Information Resources, 320 Texas Workforce Commission, 356 Texas Ethics Commission, 405 Department of Public Safety, 452 Dept of License & Reg, 529 Hlth & Human Svcs Comm, 608 Department of Motor Vehicles, 644 Juvenile Justice Department, 696 Department of Criminal Justice, 701 Texas Education Agency, 710 Texas A&M Univ System Admin, 720 UT Sys Admin

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