

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**April 13, 2021**

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

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

**IN RE: HB3345** by Wu (Relating to public access to the audit records of certain governmental entities.), **As Introduced**

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| <b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b> |
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The bill would add Chapter 561 to the Government Code to require governmental entities to make audit records of the entity available to the public on request. Governmental entities would be required to post final reports of audits on a publicly accessible website no later than five business days after the date the audit is completed. Governmental entities would be authorized to redact confidential information from audit reports, as required by state or federal law.

Costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill would be associated with responding to increased public information requests for audit records. It is assumed that these costs could be absorbed within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

Eastland County does not anticipate a significant fiscal impact to the county. The fiscal impact to other units of local government is not anticipated to be significant.

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Admin, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 313 Department of Information Resources, 405 Department of Public Safety, 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

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