

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

**FISCAL NOTE, 88TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 2, 2023**

**TO:** Honorable Oscar Longoria, Chair, House Committee on Business & Industry

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

**IN RE: HB2063** by Talarico (Relating to informed consent obtained before a dog or cat may be boarded at a kennel and left unattended when employees are not present; creating a criminal offense.), **As Introduced**

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| <p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p> |
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The bill would prohibit certain kennel owners or operators boarding or providing services to a dog or cat at the kennel from leaving the animal unattended without an employee present unless the kennel owner or operator provides written notice to the owner of the animal and the owner of the animal provides a signed document consenting to the action. The bill would create a Class B misdemeanor offense for violating this requirement if a dog or cat boarded at or receiving services from the kennel is injured or dies when left unattended at the kennel.

It is assumed that any fiscal impact and impact on state correctional populations or on the demand for state correctional resources would not be significant.

**Local Government Impact**

It is assumed that any fiscal impact to units of local government associated with enforcement, prosecution, supervision, or confinement would not be significant.

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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