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TO: Honorable Bryan Hughes, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB175 by Middleton (Relating to the use by a political subdivision of public funds for lobbying activities.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would restrict the use of public funds by political subdivisions for lobbying activities and repeal the authority of a county commissioners court to spend money from the county's general fund for membership fees and dues of a nonprofit association of counties.

Local Government Impact

There could be a negative impact on units of local government relating to hiring additional staff to replace services currently provided by lobbyists and the nonprofit association of counties.

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