LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB972 by Geren (Relating to reporting of expenditures by persons registered as

lobbyists.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Government Code to set the reporting requirement for lobbying expenditures at no more than \$50 per day. The Ethics Commission anticipates that any costs associated with implementing the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 356 Texas Ethics Commission

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