

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

**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 1, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Chair, House Committee on Land & Resource Management

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HJR14** by Corte (Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the public taking of private property.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated,** other than the cost of publication.

The cost to the state for publication of the resolution is \$90,882.

The resolution would propose an amendment to the Texas Constitution to specify that the taking of private property is authorized only if it is necessary for the possession, occupation, and enjoyment a common carrier, by an entity providing utility service, by the public at large, by the state, or by a political subdivision of the state.

Based on the analysis of the Texas Department of Transportation, it is assumed that the constitutional amendment would not result in a significant fiscal impact to the state.

The proposed constitutional amendment would take effect if approved by voters at an election to be held on November 3, 2009.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 601 Department of Transportation

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