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TO: Honorable Mike Krusee, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB602 by Noriega (Relating to the operation of a motor vehicle title service.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to authorize operation of a motor vehicle title service in a county in which the county commissioners court has adopted Chapter 520, Subchapter E. Additional requirements for the licensing process for persons operating a motor vehicle title service are also provided in the bill. The tax assessor-collector of a county that adopts Subchapter E after September 1, 2003, would be required to adopt rules adopted by the Harris County tax assessor-collector related to licensing of persons operating a motor vehicle title service.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2003.

Under current statute, Subchapter E, Transportation Code applies only to a county with a population of more than 2.8 million (Harris County). The bill would authorize operation of a motor vehicle title service in any county, as long as the county commissioners court has by order adopted the subchapter. The duties placed on a county tax assessor-collector for processing licenses and developing licensing application forms are not expected to have a significant fiscal impact.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 405 Department of Public Safety

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