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TO: Honorable Anna Mowery, Chair, House Committee on Land & Resource Management

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB789 by Grusendorf (Relating to the exemption of tax-exempt property of religious organizations from municipal platting requirements.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 212, Local Government Code, to exempt tax-exempt religious organizations from having to prepare a plat to obtain a building permit or any other permit for developing the tract. If the property loses its tax-exempt status, the owner of the property would be required to comply with all applicable platting requirements. Additionally, if a person were to file for record or have recorded in the county clerk's office a plat, if the plat would be exempted from approval, the clerk or deputy clerk would be required to stamp "unapproved plat" on the document and note on the plat that the property was exempt under the provisions of the section of the code that would be added by the bill. The bill would take effect immediately if it receives the requisite two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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