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TO: Honorable Kenneth Armbrister, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2320 by Flores (Relating to administration by the Texas Department of Agriculture of quarantined articles.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill amends language in the Agriculture Code to clarify the Department of Agriculture's quarantine procedures in order to put TDA more in line with USDA standards. The legislation specifies that TDA notify the Governor's Office and cooperate with this office regarding each quarantine that it adopts.

The agency indicates that similar functions are currently performed and any additional costs can be absorbed within current resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 551 Department of Agriculture

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