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

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2389 by Cook, Robby (Relating to the issuance of special license plates to benefit the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to issue specially designed "4-H" plates for passenger cars and light trucks. The bill would require the plates to be designed according to specifications in the bill; that TxDOT design the plates in consultation with the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program; and applicants to submit a \$30 annual fee in addition to other registration fees. The bill would require \$8 to be deposited to the credit of the State Highway Fund; \$0.50 to be deposited to the credit of the general fund in the county treasury in which the applicant resides for administration costs; and \$21.50 to be deposited to the credit of a newly created General Revenue dedicated account to be used by the Texas A&M University System for the purposes of supporting programs and activities identified in the bill. The bill would allow a vehicle owner to replace plates that were lost, stolen, or mutilated by paying TxDOT the fee prescribed in the bill.

No significant fiscal implication is anticipated due to the estimated number of license plate issuances. Also, the analysis provided by TxDOT indicates that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

Because the legislation would create a dedicated revenue account in the General Revenue Fund, the account included in this bill would be subject to funds consolidation review by the current legislature.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated. The bill would require that \$0.50 from the sale of each plate under the provisions of the bill be deposited to the credit of the general fund in the county treasury in which the applicant resides for administration costs.

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