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TO: Honorable David Swinford, Chair, House Committee on Government Reform

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3043 by Cook, Robby (Relating to abolishing the requirement that certain state agencies participate in travel services contracts.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would abolish the requirements that agencies in the Executive Branch of government participate in the State's travel service contracts. The bill would allow, rather than require, the Texas Building and Procurement Commission (TBPC) to negotiate contracts with travel agents, transportation providers, credit card companies and lodging establishments.

This analysis assumes that TBPC will continue to negotiate contracts referenced above and that state agencies may continue to utilize those contracts at approximately the same levels. The bill will take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all members of the house; otherwise, the bill will take effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

Currently, some local governmental entities utilize the contract rates negotiated for the State. Since this analysis assumes that TBPC will continue the negotiation of contract rates, the fiscal impact on local governmental agencies is not expected to be significant.

Source Agencies: 301 Office of the Governor, 302 Office of the Attorney General, 303 Building and Procurement Commission, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 307 Secretary of State, 313 Department of Information Resources

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