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

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3210 by Heflin (Relating to the issuance of March Of Dimes license plates.), **As Introduced**

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| No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. |
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to issue specially designed “March of Dimes” license plates for passenger cars and light trucks. The bill would require plates to be designed in accordance with the specifications and requirements of the bill; applicants to submit a \$35 annual fee in addition to other registration fees; that \$8 be deposited to the credit of the State Highway fund for administrative costs; and that \$27 be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund to be used by the Texas Department of Health for the purposes specified in the bill. The bill would require a vehicle owner to return the special plates to TxDOT if the owner disposes of the vehicle during the registration year.

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

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

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds majority vote in both houses; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 601 Department of Transportation

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