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TO: Honorable Robert Talton, Chair, House Committee on Urban Affairs

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HJR61 by McReynolds (Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment or supplies for the benefit of rural volunteer fire departments.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated, other than the cost of publication.

The cost to the state for publication of the resolution is \$85,275.

The resolution proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize a municipality to donate surplus equipment, supplies, or other materials used in fighting fires to the Texas Forest Service or to a successor agency authorized to cooperate in developing rural fire protection plans. The Texas Forest Service would redistribute the donated items, based on need, to rural volunteer fire departments.

The proposed constitutional amendment would be considered by the voters in the general election to be held November 4, 2003.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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