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TO: Honorable David Dewhurst , Lieutenant Governor, Senate
Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB521 by Staples (Relating to the acquisition and regulation of manufactured homes; providing penalties.), **Conference Committee Report**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill requires the Manufactured Housing Division within the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) to extend education requirements of eight hours per calendar year to all licensees involved in the sale of manufactured housing, in addition to various other provisions of the bill.

Currently, TDHCA provides twenty hours of training for non-sales people related to manufactured housing which includes the related eight-hour training. Based on the active number of retailers, brokers, and salespersons, TDHCA estimates an average number of attendees at 4,000 per fiscal year.

The agency would incur additional costs associated with travel and rental space for the additional courses held throughout the state. TDHCA anticipates \$6,000 per year for travel costs and approximately \$6,000 for rental space for fourteen classes per year. It is assumed the Manufactured Housing division could absorb the associated costs within current resources.

The bill would take effect June 1, 2003, if it receives a two-thirds vote of all members elected to each house; if not, then the bill takes effect September 1, 2003. Various sections of the bill take effect January 1, 2004.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 332 Department of Housing and Community Affairs, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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