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TO: Honorable Todd Staples, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB364 by Hegar (Relating to an offense of possession of certain devices affecting operation of a traffic-control signal.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to make it an offense for persons to possess a mobile infrared transmitter, unless the possession is in connection with the official operation of an authorized emergency vehicle or is a transit vehicle operated by an authority under Chapter 451 or 452 or a transit department under Chapter 453. Both the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Transportation report that this can be accomplished within existing resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 601 Department of Transportation

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