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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

IN RE: HB1484 by Talton (Relating to the penalty for failing to perform certain duties following a vehicle accident.), **As Engrossed**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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This bill would amend the Transportation Code as it relates to the penalty for failing to perform certain duties following a vehicle accident.

The bill would make it a Class C Misdemeanor for a person in a metropolitan area not to move a drivable vehicle, recently involved in an accident, from a high traffic area (main lane, ramp, shoulder, median, or adjacent area of a freeway) to a more suitable location. The Department of Public Safety reports officers would need to be trained on the new requirements of the law; however, this can be accomplished within existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2005 and apply only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of the act.

Local Government Impact

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

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