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TO: Honorable Mary Denny, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

IN RE: HB1706 by Denny (Relating to requiring a voter to present proof of identification.), **As Introduced**

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| Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB1706, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2007. |
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General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

| Fiscal Year | Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds |
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| 2006 | \$0 |
| 2007 | \$0 |
| 2008 | \$0 |
| 2009 | \$0 |
| 2010 | \$0 |

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

| Fiscal Year | Probable Revenue (Loss) from <i>TEXAS MOBILITY FUND</i> 365 |
|-------------|---|
| 2006 | (\$130,110) |
| 2007 | (\$130,110) |
| 2008 | (\$130,110) |
| 2009 | (\$130,110) |
| 2010 | (\$130,110) |

Fiscal Analysis

The bill amends Election Code to require a voter to present additional identification items in addition to the voter registration certificate and expands the current list of documentation acceptable as proof of identification. It also amends Transportation Code to allow the Department of Public Safety to issue a personal identification certificate (ID) at no cost to individuals who execute an affidavit stating they are unable to pay the required fee. A resulting revenue loss to the Texas Mobility Fund is anticipated.

Methodology

The estimate is based on the total number of ID holders who were registered to vote in 2004 multiplied by the product of the U.S. Census' estimated population living below the poverty level in Texas multiplied by the \$15 cost for original and renewal issuances of a personal IDs.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 307 Secretary of State, 405 Department of Public Safety

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