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TO: Honorable Fred Hill, Chair, House Committee on Local Government Ways & Means

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IN RE: HB1734 by Krusee (Relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy taxes for the enhancement and upgrading of sports facilities and fields by certain municipalities.), As **Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 351.101(a) of the Tax Code to allow revenue from the municipal hotel occupancy tax to be used for the promotion of tourism by the enhancement and upgrading of existing sports facilities if: 1) the municipality owned the facilities; 2) the municipality had a population of 80,000 or more and was located in a county that had a population less than 350,000; and 3) the sports facilities had been used in the preceding calendar year a combined total of more than 10 times for district, state, regional, or national sports.

The bill would take effect immediately upon enactment, assuming that it received the requisite twothirds majority votes in both houses of the Legislature. Otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

The bill would not affect what cities may charge a municipal hotel occupancy tax, only how they could spend the money that they already receive if they currently charge a municipal hotel occupancy tax. Therefore, there would be no fiscal impact.

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