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TO: Honorable Joe Driver, Chair, House Committee on Law Enforcement

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

IN RE: HB2293 by Cook, Robby (Relating to the disposition of seized weapons.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to require under certain circumstances a magistrate to order the destruction of a seized weapon or forfeiture of the weapon to the state for use by the law enforcement agency holding the weapon. The bill would add that if a person found in possession of a weapon receives deferred adjudication for an offense involving the use of a weapon, that person's seized weapon shall be ordered destroyed or forfeited. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005 and would apply only to a weapon seized on or after that date.

Local Government Impact

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

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