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TO: Honorable Mike Krusee, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

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

IN RE: HB2655 by Krusee (Relating to regional mobility authorities.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would stipulate than an airport that on September 1, 2005, was served by one or more air carriers engaged in scheduled interstate air transportation, that airport is not included as a "transportation project."

The bill would allow as evidence for proving a violation of nonpayment of a toll, evidence obtained by automated enforcement technology. The bill would also authorize certain circumstances in which a regional mobility board may conduct an open or closed meeting by telephone conference. Notice of a board meeting could be posted in a place other than a county courthouse, provided certain procedures are followed.

The bill would repeal Section 370.163(b), Transportation Code, which requires an authority's acquisition of property of the Texas Transportation Commission (TTC), or the authority's relocation, rerouting, disruption, or alteration of a TTC facility to be considered a conversion of a state highway system and is subject to requirements, conditions, and limitations of Section 370.035, Transportation Code (Conversion and Transfer of State Highway System Projects).

The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

According to the Texas Department of Transportation's analysis, the repeal of Section 370.163(b), Transportation Code, would not have a fiscal impact on the agency.

Local Government Impact

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

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