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**TO:** Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair, Senate Committee on Government Organization

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

**IN RE: HB3047** by Veasey (Relating to communication district or emergency communication district participation in state travel services contracts.), **As Engrossed**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would allow emergency communication districts to utilize travel service contracts established by the Texas Building and Procurement Commission (TBPC). TBPC would be authorized to charge a participating district a fee not to exceed the costs incurred by TBPC for providing those services. The fee would be deposited into a newly established a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund – Emergency Communication District Airline Fares Account. Funds in the account could be appropriated only for operating the travel program. The additional fees would be nominal and not present a significant fiscal impact to the state.

Because the legislation would create a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund, the account included in the bill would be subject to funds consolidation review by the current legislature.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated. Emergency communication districts may see a reduction in travel costs as a result of their participation in the air and travel agency contracts. Each emergency communication district's cost savings would depend on the amount of business travel conducted.

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