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TO: Honorable Rick Hardcastle, Chair, House Committee on Agriculture & Livestock

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

IN RE: HB3226 by Swinford (Relating to the establishment of a statewide maintenance program for boll weevil and pink bollworm eradication.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill establishes a statewide maintenance program for boll weevil and pink bollworm eradication and provides that the Commissioner of Agriculture may impose a fee on all cotton grown in a maintenance area. The legislation, however, directs that this fee revenue be forwarded to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation. The bill will have no fiscal impact on state funds currently provided to the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation through the budget of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 551 Department of Agriculture

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