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TO: Honorable Todd Staples, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

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IN RE: SB9 by Staples (Relating to homeland security; providing a penalty.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill requires the Governor's Office to develop and administer a strategic plan to design and implement a statewide-integrated public safety radio and computer communications system. The bill requires the Governor's Office to develop and administer a plan to purchase infrastructure equipment for state and local agencies and first responders and advise representatives of entities involved in homeland security activities.

The bill requires that all funds appropriated for the purpose of providing administrative support to the Public Safety Radio Communications Council be transferred from the Department of Public Safety to the Office of the Governor. No significant fiscal impact to the state is anticipated as the transferred funds will be used to fund the administration of the Governor's Interoperable Radio Communications Program.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If the bill does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, the bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 301 Office of the Governor, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 307 Secretary of

State, 401 Adjutant General's Department, 407 Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education, 411 Commission on Fire Protection, 454 Department of Insurance, 477 Commission on State Emergency Communications, 551 Department of Agriculture, 580 Water Development Board, 582 Commission on Environmental

Quality, 701 Central Education Agency, 802 Parks and Wildlife Department

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