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

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

IN RE: SB1699 by Averitt (Relating to the acquisition of real property interests for transportation projects by the Texas Transportation Commission.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to allow the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to purchase fee title, an easement, a leasehold, or any other interest in real property that has been identified for possible use in connection with a transportation facility before a final decision has been made as to whether the facility will be located on that property.

Based on the analysis of TxDOT, it is assumed any duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a vote of two-thirds of all members elected to each house or otherwise on September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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