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

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

IN RE: HB998 by Coleman (Relating to a moratorium on tolls by the Texas Department of Transportation.), **As Introduced**

The fiscal implications to the State cannot be determined.

The bill would prohibit the Texas Department of Transportation from imposing a toll for the use of any portion of a highway or roadway in the state highway system that did not have a toll in effect on or before the effective date of the bill. The bill would expire on September 1, 2009.

TxDOT indicates that the bill would delay the development and procurement of several proposed toll projects totaling \$4.75 billion and delay the receipt of any associated concession fees to the state until fiscal year 2010 or later. Based on the information provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any fiscal implications to the state would depend on the number of potential toll projects and concession agreements that could be implemented under current law but would be delayed as a result of the enactment of the bill and, therefore, cannot be determined.

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, 2007.

Local Government Impact

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

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