# **LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas**

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## February 16, 2007

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

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

**IN RE: HB1184** by King, Tracy (Relating to the offense of obstructing a railroad crossing with a train.), **As Introduced** 

#### No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code by increasing the fine for the misdemeanor offense of obstructing a railroad crossing with a train. The bill would also lower from 10 minutes to 5 minutes the amount of time a street, railroad crossing, or highway is obstructed by a train that creates an offense.

Under current statute, the fine is between \$100 and \$300. The proposed change to statute would increase the fine to \$1,000 if the obstruction lasts 10 minutes or less and an additional \$1,000 for each five minute interval that the obstruction continues beyond 10 minutes.

#### **Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 

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