

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 13, 2007**

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

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

**IN RE: HB1521** by Kolkhorst (Relating to the prohibition of signs on certain roads.), **Committee Report 1st House, As Amended**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code by adding certain highways located in Austin County to those highways to which an off-premise sign is prohibited from being erected if it would be adjacent to or visible from the highway. In addition, the bill would authorize the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to exclude a landowner's property from the prohibition if the landowner submits an application as provided within the provisions of the bill. The county clerk in the affected county would be required to notify each applicable landowner and publish in a newspaper notice that the specific parcels of land would be affected by the change in statute and how to seek exclusion.

It is assumed that implementation of the provisions of the bill affecting TxDOT would be absorbed within current resources.

**Local Government Impact**

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

**Source Agencies:**

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