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**TO:** Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Chair, House Committee on Environmental Regulation

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

**IN RE: HB1526** by Smith, Wayne (Relating to incentives for and the use of alternative leak detection technologies for air contaminants. ), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would authorize the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to establish a program that would encourage owners and operators of point sources of air pollution to use innovative technologies, including optical gas imaging technology, designed to detect leaks and emissions of air contaminants. The bill would also provide that this program include certain limitations on enforcement if the facility is participating in a program using innovative technology. The bill is not expected to have significant fiscal implications to the Commission on Environmental Quality.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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