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**TO:** Honorable Wayne Smith, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

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

**IN RE: HB2182** by Crabb (Relating to the regulation of fireworks by certain populous counties; providing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Local Government Code relating to regulation of fireworks in a county with a population of 3.3 million or more. Based on the 2000 U.S. Census, the bracket would apply only to Harris County.

The bill would require the county commissioners court to send to the state fire marshal a copy of an order to prohibit or otherwise regulate the sale, possession, or use of fireworks in any part of the unincorporated area of the county. The state fire marshal would be required to send a copy of each order received to each licensed manufacturer, distributor, and jobber in the affected county not later than the 30th day after the date the fire marshal receives the order.

The state fire marshal is part of the Texas Department of Insurance. The agency indicates that provisions of the bill could be implemented using existing 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:** 454 Department of Insurance

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