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TO: Honorable Fred Hill, Chair, House Committee on Local Government Ways & Means

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

IN RE: HB2188 by Paxton (Relating to the exception of certain ad valorem tax appraisal information from required disclosure under the public information law.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would add a new section to Chapter 552 of the Government Code to exempt from open records requirements information relating to real property sales prices, descriptions, characteristics, and other related information received from a private entity by the Comptroller or the chief appraiser.

The bill would allow a property owner to receive from the appraisal district information the chief appraiser planned to introduce at the appraisal review board hearing.

The bill would take effect immediately upon enactment, assuming that it received the requisite two-thirds majority votes in both houses of the Legislature. Otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2007.

Passage of this bill would establish procedural rules concerning the use of certain documents in appraisal review board hearings and would have no fiscal impact to the state or units of local government.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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