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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: HB2565** by Madden (Relating to the establishment of an advisory committee on motor vehicle inspections related to safety and emissions.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code by establishing an advisory committee on motor vehicle inspections related to safety and emissions.

The bill amends Transportation Code, Section 548, which changes the number of motor vehicle inspection advisory committee members from six to nine. The bill states that the advisory committee will advise and make recommendations relating to the vehicle inspection program which is established and managed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the Department of Public Safety (DPS). The bill also increases the number of members representing inspection station owners and operators from one to four, with two being from areas with emissions testing and two from safety only counties. The bill also adds one member to represent independent vehicle equipment repair technicians. The bill requires the selection of the committee's presiding officer rotate alternately between TCEQ and DPS and that the committee must meet at least twice a year. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2007.

DPS and the TCEQ have both determined that the cost of implementing the provisions of the bill would not be significant. It is assumed that any significant costs can be absorbed within each agency's current appropriations.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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