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TO: Honorable Tracy King, Chair, House Committee on Border & International Affairs

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

IN RE: HB2931 by King, Tracy (Relating to required notice of and a lien resulting from damage to a fence.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require a peace officer employed by a political subdivision who investigates or responds to an incident in which a motor vehicle damages a property owner's fence, to determine who the property owner is and to immediately notify the owner about the damage to the fence, provided that the officer reasonably believes the fence is intended to contain livestock or other animals. The officer would not be liable to the landowner or any other person for damage resulting from not notifying the owner. In addition, a landowner must provide a political subdivision that employs peace officers with contact information if the landowner would like to receive notification of damage.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2007 and would apply only to damage from an incident that occurs on or after that date.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies:

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