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TO: Honorable John Carona, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

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

IN RE: HB2944 by Murphy (Relating to permits for erecting certain outdoor signs or advertising.),
Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to specify that, with respect to outdoor advertising located within the jurisdiction of a municipality with a population greater than 1.9 million that is exercising its authority to regulate outdoor advertising, the Texas Transportation Commission may issue a permit for outdoor advertising only if the municipality has not acted to prohibit new outdoor advertising within its jurisdiction, and has issued a permit authorizing the outdoor advertising.

Based on the analysis of the Texas Department of Transportation, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with the implementation of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2007.

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.

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