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TO: Honorable Mark Homer, Chair, House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

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

IN RE: HB155 by Gutierrez (Relating to access to rivers and riverbeds for individuals with physical impairments.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Parks and Wildlife Code relating to access to rivers and riverbeds for individuals with physical impairments. TPWD indicates Section 90.002 of the Parks and Wildlife Code generally prohibits driving a motor vehicle in or on a protected freshwater area. The bill would add a new exception to the list of exceptions in Section 90.003 to include individuals with a physical impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of the individual. To the extent the bill would modify provisions relating to river and riverbed access, no fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 802 Parks and Wildlife Department **LBB Staff:** JOB, TB, SD