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TO: Honorable Kip Averitt, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

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

IN RE: HB1595 by King, Tracy O. (Relating to a documented member of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas hunting certain deer.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Parks and Wildlife Code to define a member of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas as a resident for hunting license purposes and would allow members holding a hunting license to hunt antlerless deer at any time of year under certain conditions.

According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, there are approximately 645 tribal members, and 620 are Texas residents. To the extent the 25 out-of-state tribal members would no longer purchase a non-resident hunting license (at \$300 per unit), but instead would purchase a resident hunting license (at \$23 per unit) the estimated loss in revenue to the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 is not anticipated to be significant.

(Current nonresident hunting license of \$300 multiplied by 25 members = \$7,500 per year, offset by a revenue gain from these 25 members purchasing a resident hunting license at \$23 per unit of \$575, for a net revenue loss of \$6,925 per fiscal year.)

The bill would take immediate effect with a two-thirds vote of all members; otherwise, it 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

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