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TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

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

IN RE: HB3616 by Bolton (Relating to the authority of certain counties to prohibit off-premise signs along certain roads.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to prohibit a person from erecting an off-premise sign that is adjacent to and visible from a public road or portion of a public road located in a county that has a population of 77,000 or more but less than 80,000 and outside the corporate limits of a municipality. However, the prohibition would apply only after the date of written notice of an order by a commissioners court to the Texas Department of Transportation. The commissioners court would be required to hold a public hearing before being authorized to adopt an order.

Local Government Impact

Based on the population criteria, the bill would affect only Comal County.

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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