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

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

IN RE: HB4180 by Guillen (Relating to the allocation of funds for public transportation by the Texas Department of Transportation.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to require the Texas Transportation Commission (TTC) to establish rules for the distribution of state grants for public transportation, which include provisions ensuring that no recipient of state funding under the formula and discretionary program receives an amount of funding that is less than the total amount of state funding received under those programs in the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2004.

Based on the analysis of Texas Department of Transportation, it is assumed the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant fiscal or operational impact to the agency.

Local Government Impact

The bill would direct the Commission to make changes in the method it uses to allocate funding to the designated recipients of State formula funds for public transportation. There are 39 rural transit districts and 30 urban transit districts that would be affected. The fiscal impact to a specific local governmental entity could be significant, but would vary depending on the amount of funding for public transportation each rural and urban transit district received or lost.

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