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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: SB1356 by Lucio (Relating to a fee associated with the assignment of a vehicle identification number by the Texas Department of Transportation.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to authorize the auto theft unit of a sheriff's office that conducts an inspection required by the Texas Department of Transportation to impose a \$40 fee. The fee would be credited to the county's general fund to defray costs associated with administering the Certificate of Title Act, including administering title hearings.

Local Government Impact

The revenue gain would vary by county depending on how many inspections are conducted and whether the sheriff's office chooses to impose the \$40 fee. As an example, Harris County reports, based on the number of inspections conducted by the sheriff's office in the previous two years, that implementation would result in a revenue gain of \$2,160 per year.

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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