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

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

IN RE: SB2018 by Watson (Relating to golf carts.), **As Engrossed**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend various provisions of the Transportation Code and establish new Subchapter F relating to the authority for and limitations on the operation of golf carts on certain public roadways, public or private beaches, and within a master planned community. The bill would prohibit the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) from registering a golf cart for operation on a public highway. The bill would specify that TxDOT is authorized to issue license plates for a golf cart as authorized under current law. The bill would authorize the governing body of a municipality to allow the operation of a golf cart on a public highway within the corporate boundaries of the municipality if the posted speed limit on the public highway is not more than 35 miles per hour and the golf cart has the equipment specified by the bill.

Based on the analysis of TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

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