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TO: Honorable Tommy Williams, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

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

IN RE: HB109 by Brown (Relating to the temporary lowering of prima facie speed limits at a vehicular accident reconstruction site.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend several sections of the Transportation Code to authorize a municipality or a county commissioners court to temporarily lower prima facie speed limits at the site of reconstruction of an accident without seeking written approval from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), as defined by the provisions of the bill. TxDOT would be required to develop safety guidelines for the use of vehicular accident reconstruction in investigations. A municipality, county, or designated official must comply with TxDOT's guidelines and notify TxDOT of the date and location, the entities involved, the size of the area affected, and a time estimate for the vehicular accident reconstruction site of an investigation.

Based on the analysis by 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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