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TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

IN RE: HB2549 by Crossover (Relating to the authority of a state employee to authorize a deduction from the employee's salary or wage payment for a charitable contribution to certain entities.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code relating to state employee charitable contributions. The bill would add Chapter 450 to the Government Code to authorize a charitable historical organization, as defined by the bill, to be considered as an eligible charitable organization entitled to participate in a state employee charitable campaign. The bill would amend and add provisions in Chapter 659, regarding the state employee charitable campaign policy committee, pertaining to membership; compensation and reimbursement of committee members; selection of a state campaign manager; application of open meetings and public information laws; requests for information maintained by vendors contracted under Subchapter I; and application of the Texas Sunset Act to the committee. The bill would require that a state employee or retired state employee receiving benefits under Chapter 814, Government Code, who chooses to make a deduction to designate an eligible charitable organization to receive the deductions.

It is anticipated that any additional costs associated with implementation of the legislation could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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