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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: HB2596 by Garza (Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to lower speed limits on certain highways.), Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to authorize the governing body of a municipality to declare a lower speed limit of not less than 25 miles per hour, or not less than 10 miles in a municipality with a population of 2,000 or less with a one-lane highway used for two-way access, for a highway or a part of a highway in the municipality that is not an officially designed or marked highway or road of the state highway system if the governing body determined the prima facie speed limit was unreasonable or unsafe. The governing body of a municipality that lowers a speed limit would be required to publish certain information on its Internet website and submit a report to the Texas Department of Transportation not later than February 1 of each year.

Local Government Impact

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

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