

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**March 31, 2011**

**TO:** Honorable Craig Estes, Chair, Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Affairs

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

**IN RE: SB1356** by Estes (Relating to the repeal of certain laws regulating the registration of animal tattoo marks with the Department of Public Safety.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would repeal Subchapter E, Chapter 144 of the Agriculture Code. This would remove from statute provisions relating to the registration of tattoo marks or identification methods of certain livestock and animals with the Department of Public Safety (DPS). Section 144.110 of the statute that would be repealed by the bill relates to fees related to tattoo mark registrations. The Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA) indicates DPS has received one registration under this statute in the past 25 years and the livestock tattoo fund to which the fees would be deposited is not an active fund or account. The DPS, CPA and the Department of Agriculture anticipate no fiscal impact from the provisions of the bill. The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 551 Department of Agriculture, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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