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TO: Honorable Larry Phillips, Chair, House Committee On Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB811** by Cook (Relating to the disposition of fines for traffic violations collected by certain municipalities.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 542 of the Transportation Code to exempt a municipality with a population of more than 900 but less than 1,000 that is located in a county with a population of more than 47,000 but less than 48,000 from limiting the highway fine and special expense collections that a municipality may retain. Above a specified threshold amount, counties and municipalities must send any excess revenue to the Comptroller for deposit to the General Revenue Fund. Based on the applicability criteria, the provisions of the bill would only apply to the city of Rice in Navarro County.

According to the Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA), a review of past reports of excess fine and expense revenues to the Comptroller showed that the city had not submitted any excess revenues in the last five years; therefore, the bill would have no impact on future state revenue collections. No fiscal impact is anticipated to the state.

Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

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