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TO: Honorable Ryan Guillen, Chair, House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1615 by Phillips (Relating to the duration of a deer breeder's permit.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend portions of the Parks and Wildlife Code as it relates to the duration of a deer breeder permit. Under bill provisions, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) would be required to offer permits valid for one, three or five years. An individual purchasing a three or five year permit agrees to submit electronic reports as is currently required for a one year permit. The TPW Commission may adopt rules that allow the agency to terminate (revoke) a permit prior to the three or five year expiration date if the permittee fails to submit electronic reports as required.

The TPWD reports the bill would result in minimal costs to program the deer breeder database to provide for three or five year permits, as well as minimal costs relating to revoking three or five year permits for noncompliance with agency rules. This analysis assumes such costs could reasonably be absorbed within the department's existing resources.

The bill would take immediate effect with two-thirds vote in both houses. Otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 802 Parks and Wildlife Department

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