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TO: Honorable Jim Keffer, Chair, House Committee on Energy Resources

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1986 by Perry (Relating to the effect of rules and standards adopted by the Railroad Commission of Texas relating to the liquefied petroleum gas industry on ordinances, orders, or rules adopted by political subdivisions relating to that industry.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Natural Resources Code, Section 113.054 to provide that rules and standards promulgated and adopted by the Railroad Commission under Natural Resources Code, Section 113.051 do not preempt or supersede any ordinance, order, or rule adopted by a political subdivision of this state relating to any aspect or phase of the liquefied petroleum gas industry. In addition, the bill would remove language allowing a political subdivision to petition the Railroad Commission's executive director for permission to promulgate more restrictive rules and standards only if the political subdivision can prove that the more restrictive rules and standards enhance public safety.

Passage of the bill is not expected to result in a significant change to the Railroad Commission's costs or agency workload.

Local Government Impact

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

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