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TO: Honorable Allan Ritter, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2146** by Hilderbran (Relating to limits on mining of marl, sand, gravel, shell, or mudshell in certain protected freshwater areas.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Parks and Wildlife Code relating to the limits on mining particular material in certain protected freshwater areas. Under bill provisions, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission could not grant a permit to take more than 1,000 cubic yards of marl, sand, gravel, shell, or mudshell from a protected freshwater area, as defined, unless: the area of the permit is east of I35 or east of I35E, where I35W and I35E run parallel; or the marl, sand, gravel, shell, or mudshell will not be sold. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) indicates the bill has no fiscal implication to the department, as no existing permits have been issued in the protected geographic location. Any revenue loss from what could have been future permitting activity is not anticipated to be significant.

The bill would take immediate effect if the bill receives 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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