LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 17, 2013

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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2150 by Nevárez (Relating to the classification of exotic and nongame animals.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend portions of the Parks and Wildlife Code relating to the classification of exotic and nongame animals. Bill provisions would remove elk from the definition of exotic animals subject to certain licensing, permitting and hunting requirements. The bill would exempt elk from certain provisions related to nongame animals. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) indicates bill provisions would not reflect a fiscal implication to the department.

The bill would take immediate effect if the bill receives two-thirds the 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 **LBB Staff:** UP, SZ, TB, KJo