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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2204** by Pickett (Relating to the authority of the Texas Transportation Commission to establish variable speed limits.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to authorize the Texas Transportation Commission by rule to establish a program to allow for the temporary lowering of a prima facie speed limit to address inclement weather, congestion, construction or any other condition that impacts the safe movement of traffic. The bill would require that a speed limit established under the program be based on a traffic and engineering investigation.

Based on the information provided by the Texas Department of Transportation, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 601 Department of Transportation

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