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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2649 by Herrero (Relating to the punishment for violating certain rules or permit terms under a permit to trap, transport, and transplant certain animals.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Parks and Wildlife Code so that a violation of any reporting requirement related to a Trap, Transport and Transplant permit (TTT) is a Class C Parks and Wildlife misdemeanor. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department indicates the violation is currently a Class B misdemeanor, and any related revenue gain to the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 from reclassifying the violation would not reflect a significant fiscal implication to the account. 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 significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 802 Parks and Wildlife Department

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