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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB948 by Nelson (Relating to management of a coordinated county transportation authority.), **As Introduced**

<p>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code to provide requirements for the management of a coordinated county transportation authority. The bill would include a coordinated county transportation authority governed by Chapter 460 to what constitutes a “local government.” The provisions of the bill would apply to the Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA), and the Dallas Area Rapid Transit, and the Fort Worth Transportation Authority.

The bill would limit the liability of certain private operators that contract with DCTA to the extent that the authority itself would be liable if it were performing the function. DCTA would be authorized to negotiate contracts without competitive sealed bids or proposals under certain circumstances for the lease or purchase of an interest in land; projects awarded through certain alternative project delivery methods; and contracts for fare enforcement officer services.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) indicated the bill would have no direct fiscal implications on the agency or the operations of the TxDOT.

Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

Source Agencies: 601 Department of Transportation

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