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TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1294 by Davis (Relating to the awarding of contracts by the Texas Department of Transportation to private sector providers.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 223 of the Transportation Code, relating to bids and contracts for highway projects, to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in awarding contracts to a private sector provider to give preference to a private sector provider if (1) the preference serves to create a positive impact on job growth and retention in Texas, (2) the transportation project subject to the contract is funded entirely with state and/or local funds, and (3) the provider meets TxDOT's expectations regarding price for the contract.

Based on the information provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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