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TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2756 by Burkett (Relating to making a voluntary contribution to the Special Olympics Texas fund when registering a motor vehicle or renewing a motor vehicle registration.),
As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 502 of the Transportation Code to require the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to allow a person to make a voluntary contribution in any amount to the Special Olympics Texas fund when registering a motor vehicle or renewing a motor vehicle registration. The bill would direct DMV to consult with the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) in performing DMV's duties under this section. The bill would create the Special Olympics Texas Fund as a fund outside the state treasury to be held by the Comptroller and administered by DADS. The fund would be composed of money deposited to the fund from voluntary contributions. Money in the fund would be dispersed at least monthly, without appropriation, to Special Olympics Texas.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2015.

The amount of revenue that would be deposited to the Special Olympics Texas Fund, outside of the treasury, under the provisions of the bill is indeterminate because these donations are voluntary and the amount of donation would vary among individuals. Based on the analysis of the Comptroller's office, it is assumed the bill have no effect on the state's cash flow.

Based on the analysis of the DMV, it is assumed any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill on or after January 1, 2016, (delayed implementation) could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources. However, the DMV indicates that implementation of the bill by September 1, 2015, would require programming changes to the agency's legacy core Registration and Titling System (RTS) during the months of June and July of 2015, which would delay the development and implementation of the agency's ongoing RTS Refactoring Project. The DMV estimates the programming changes necessary to implement the provisions of the bill on the specified effective date could result in a four month delay in the RTS Refactoring Project, which could result in significant additional project costs.

Note: This legislation would do one or more of the following: create or recreate a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund, create or recreate a special or trust fund either with or outside of the Treasury, or create a dedicated revenue source. The fund, account, or revenue dedication included in this bill would be subject to funds consolidation review by the current Legislature.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 539 Aging and Disability Services, Department of, 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

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