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TO: Honorable Drew Darby, Chair, House Committee on Energy Resources

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2993 by Paddie (Relating to the authority of a municipality to regulate location of mineral exploration and development activities within its boundaries.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Natural Resources Code to require a municipality that established a maximum proximity allowance for mineral exploration and development to apply the allowance uniformly to the development of identified markers within its boundaries. Under the provisions of the bill, a property owner or lessee would be permitted to petition a municipality for a waiver to utilize property within the area created by the proximity allowance. Under the provisions of the bill, the approval of a waiver would serve as a revision to the municipality's maximum proximity allowance.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 455 Railroad Commission

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