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TO: Honorable Ryan Guillen, Chair, House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3057 by Murr (Relating to the creation of a grant program for the purpose of controlling rodents and predatory animals.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB3057, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$1,000,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2017.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2016	(\$500,000)
2017	(\$500,000)
2018	(\$500,000)
2019	(\$500,000)
2020	(\$500,000)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1	Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from <i>Parks/Wildlife Cap Acct</i> 5004	Probable (Cost) from <i>Parks/Wildlife Cap Acct</i> 5004
2016	(\$500,000)	\$500,000	(\$500,000)
2017	(\$500,000)	\$500,000	(\$500,000)
2018	(\$500,000)	\$500,000	(\$500,000)
2019	(\$500,000)	\$500,000	(\$500,000)
2020	(\$500,000)	\$500,000	(\$500,000)

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Parks and Wildlife Code by establishing a grant program jointly administered by the Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service (Extension Service). The grants would be made to political subdivisions and qualified nonprofit organizations for the control of rodents and predatory animals. TPWD, in consultation with the Extension Service, would be required to adopt rules to implement the program, including qualifications for receiving grants, grant amounts, and conditions for the use of grant money.

The bill would amend portions of the Tax Code regarding the disposition of proceeds of the limited sales and use tax. The bill would require the Comptroller of Public Accounts to transfer \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund each fiscal year to the credit of the Parks and Wildlife Conservation and Capital Account No. 5004 for the purpose of controlling rodents and predatory animals.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

Methodology

The bill would require the Comptroller of Public Accounts to transfer \$500,000 each fiscal year to the credit of the Parks and Wildlife Conservation and Capital Account No. 5004 for the purpose of controlling rodents and predatory animals. This analysis assumes the transferred funds would be appropriated and expended for their intended purpose each fiscal year.

Based on information provided by TPWD, there would be a minimal cost associated with implementing the provisions of the bill. This analysis assumes the cost could be covered within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

The bill could benefit local governments if they receive grants from the grant program established by the bill.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 555 Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, 802 Parks and Wildlife Department

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