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TO: Honorable Charles Perry, Chair, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3944 by King, Tracy O. (Relating to judicial review of final orders arising out of nutritional programs administrated by the Texas Department of Agriculture.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Agriculture Code, regarding the various nutritional programs administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). The bill would provide that a decision of the TDA's administrative review official or of the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) in certain child and adult nutrition cases is a final administrative determination of TDA and would not be subject to judicial review, in alignment with federal guidelines. Both TDA and SOAH indicate that provisions of the bill may be reasonably absorbed within each agency's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 360 State Office of Administrative Hearings, 551 Department of Agriculture

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