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TO: Honorable Geanie W. Morrison, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB354** by Raney (Relating to the process for establishing speed limits on roads near certain schools.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to require a governing body of a municipality, a commissioners court, or the Texas Transportation Commission to hold a public hearing on speed limits near charter schools if requested. The bill would prohibit these entities from rejecting a request for a speed limit without first making a written finding stating a compelling reason of rejection. Under the provisions of the bill, a school would be permitted to appeal a rejection decision to a district court; if the court determines the reason of rejection is not compelling, the court shall grant the request.

The Office of Court Administration reported the bill could increase the workload of state district courts, however no significant fiscal impact is anticipated.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 601
Department of Transportation

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