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TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Environmental Regulation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3644 by Burns (Relating to the collection of soil monitoring samples from land application units where sewage sludge or domestic septage is applied.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 361 by adding Section 361.1215 concerning soil monitoring sample collection for land application of sewage sludge or domestic septage. The bill would define "domestic septage" and "land application unit", and would require a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) inspector to collect the soil monitoring samples required for a land application unit at which sewage sludge or domestic septage is applied. The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

TCEQ estimates that implementing the provisions of the bill would require a dedicated position and minimal costs. This analysis assumes that the costs of implementing the provisions of the bill would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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