

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 21, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** SB928 by Rodríguez (Relating to the establishment of the Tom Lea Trail.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Government Code to require the Texas Historical Commission (THC) to develop a Tom Lea Trail Program to commemorate the life and art of Tom Lea. At a minimum, the program would include a designation of locations that are historically significant to the life and art of Tom Lea, adoption and use of an icon, symbol, or other identifying device to show a designation under the program, and the development of itineraries and maps to guide tourists to locations designated under the program. The bill would allow THC to enter into a memorandum of understanding the Economic Development and Tourism Office and the Department of Transportation to implement the program. The bill would specify that THC may solicit and accept gifts, grants, and other donations from any source to implement the program and that THC is not required to promote or market the Tom Lea Trail unless it receives funds from private entities for that purpose.

THC, the Department of Transportation, and the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor assume any costs associated with implementing the bill's provisions could be absorbed within current resources.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2017.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 300 Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor, 601 Department of Transportation, 808 Historical Commission

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