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TO: Honorable Terry Canales, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director
Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1242 by Ashby (Relating to authorization to enter onto property to survey for a proposed high-speed rail facility.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend Subchapter B, Chapter 112 of the Transportation Code to stipulate that a private entity may not enter on the lands and waters of any person or corporation to make an examination or survey for a high-speed rail facility unless the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has determined that the entity is a railroad company for the purposes of Transportation Code §112.002 (relating to the general rights of railroads). TxDOT would be required to adopt procedures by rule to implement the provisions of the bill.

Based on the information provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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