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

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IN RE: HB2835 by Canales (Relating to a defense to prosecution for the criminal offense of operating a vehicle with an expired license plate.), **As Engrossed**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code to create a defense for the offense of operating a vehicle with an expired vehicle registration if, at the time of the offense, the office of the county tax-assessor collector where the owner of the vehicle resided was closed for a protracted period of time and the vehicle registration was expired for 30 working days or less. The bill would provide a defense to a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$200.

According to the Office of Court Administration (OCA), no significant impact to the state court system is anticipated.

According to the Department of Motor Vehicles, no significant impact is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

An offense under the provisions of the bill would be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$200. Lost revenue from reduced fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

According to OCA, no significant impact to local courts is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 608
 Department of Motor Vehicles

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