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

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IN RE: SB2240 by West (relating to an exception to the titling requirement for certain vehicles; creating a criminal offense.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code by adding Section 501.098 to create an exception to titling requirements for certain vehicles purchased by a metal recycler or used automotive parts recycler. The bill would require these entities to submit to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) information necessary for reporting to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS). The bill would require DMV to notify a recycler if a purchased vehicle has been reported stolen. The bill would amend Section 501.109 to classify violations of certain requirements under proposed Section 501.098 as misdemeanor and/or state jail felony offenses.

Based on the information and analysis provided by DMV, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources. This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill addressing felony sanctions for criminal offenses would not result in a significant impact on state correctional agencies.

Local Government Impact

According to the Texas Association of Counties, no significant fiscal impact to counties is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 601 Department of Transportation, 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

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