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TO: Honorable Brian Birdwell, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1680 by Smith (Relating to the regulation of on-site sewage disposal systems on certain leased land that is owned by the federal government.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to require that separately leased individual parts of land owned by the federal government be considered separately for the purposes of regulation of on-site sewage disposal systems on these lands.

Based on the analysis of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed with existing resources.

Local Government Impact

According to TCEQ, there are 345 local government entities in Texas with delegated on-site sewage facilities (OSSF) regulatory authority for permitting and enforcement. There could be an increase in OSSF permits, plan reviews, as well as compliance and enforcement cases in areas with federal land. The fiscal impact to units of local government is not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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