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TO: Honorable James B. Frank, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2633 by Johnson, Ann (Relating to resources provided to human trafficking victims and the establishment of the trafficked persons grant program.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2633, Committee Report 1st House, Substituted : a negative impact of (\$700,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2023.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

This legislation would do one or more of the following: create or recreate a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund, create or recreate a special or trust fund either with or outside of the Treasury, or create a dedicated revenue source. The fund, account, or revenue dedication included in this bill would be subject to funds consolidation review by the current Legislature.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five- Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</i>
2022	(\$700,000)
2023	\$0
2024	\$0
2025	\$0
2026	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund 1</i>	<i>Probable Savings/(Cost) from New General Revenue Dedicated</i>	<i>Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from Tx Dept of Motor Vehicles Fnd 10</i>	<i>Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from All Local Units of Government</i>
2022	(\$700,000)	(\$50,000)	\$1,500	\$100
2023	\$0	(\$100,000)	\$1,523	\$102
2024	\$0	(\$200,000)	\$1,545	\$103
2025	\$0	(\$400,000)	\$1,568	\$105
2026	\$0	(\$800,000)	\$1,590	\$106

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from New General Revenue Dedicated</i>
2022	\$50,000
2023	\$100,000
2024	\$200,000
2025	\$400,000
2026	\$800,000

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to establish the trafficked persons program account as a General Revenue-Dedicated Account and require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to administer the account. HHSC would also be required to submit a report on the needs to establish safe housing for youth who are victims of trafficking.

The bill would amend Government Code to allow a person to contribute to the trafficked persons program when the person makes an electronic payment to the state.

The bill would amend Transportation Code by allowing individuals to make a voluntary contribution to the General Revenue-Dedicated Account when registering a vehicle or renewing a vehicle registration, applying for or renewing a driver's license or identification card, and applying for or renewing a commercial driver's license. In addition, the bill would authorize the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to produce and make available to the public specialty license plates. After deduction for DMV administrative costs, DMV would deposit the remainder of the issuance fee in the account created by the bill.

Methodology

This analysis assumes that the Department of Information Resources (DIR) would need to update Texas.gov to allow for an individual to make donations, including while accessing driver's license transactions, vehicle registrations transitions, for a total cost of \$700,000 in fiscal year 2022. Although these costs are noted in the table above, DIR is allowed to deduct donations to cover administrative expenses associated with the bill.

This analysis assumes, based on other specialty license plates, that 200.0 of the Stop Human Trafficking specialty license plate would be sold in fiscal year 2022, and assumes a 1.5 percent growth rate for each subsequent fiscal year. From each \$30.00 specialty license plate fee, \$22.00 would be distributed to the new General Revenue-Dedicated Account, \$7.50 distributed to the DMV, and \$0.50 distributed to local government for administrative costs.

The cost of the grant program would be offset by specialty license plate fee retained in the new General Revenue-Dedicated account as well as any additional voluntary donations, which are assumed to total \$50,000 in fiscal year 2022 and increase each subsequent fiscal year.

It is assumed that the Office of Court Administration, the Secretary of State, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Motor Vehicles, and HHSC could absorb other costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill.

Technology

This analysis assumes a cost of \$700,000 in fiscal year 2022 to implement the different types of donation transactions on Texas.gov.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 307 Secretary of State, 405 Department of Public Safety, 529 Hlth & Human Svcs Comm, 530 Family & Protective Services, 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

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