# RESOLUTION ANALYSIS

H.J.R. 144 By: Morales, Eddie Transportation Committee Report (Unamended)

#### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

The author of the joint resolution has informed the committee that Maverick County is currently facing growing transportation and infrastructure needs due to a steadily growing population. According to the author, local leaders and officials within Maverick County have expressed a desire to find avenues for financing and planning transportation projects independently to improve their capacity to serve the community. The resolution author has informed the committee that these local figures believe the creation of a regional mobility authority is the best way to achieve these goals. Accordingly, H.J.R. 144 and its enabling legislation, H.B. 3332, fulfill this need by authorizing the legislature to create a regional mobility authority by local law.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this resolution does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

# **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this resolution does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

# **ANALYSIS**

H.J.R. 144 proposes an amendment to the Texas Constitution to authorize the legislature by local law to create a regional mobility authority for the purposes of constructing, maintaining, and operating transportation projects in a region of Texas. The resolution authorizes the legislature to pass such a local law without the local notice required for special or local laws.

## **ELECTION DATE**

The constitutional amendment proposed by this joint resolution will be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2025.

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