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TO: Honorable Ken King, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB246** by Guillen (relating to a border crime property damage compensation program.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to repeal the expiration provision of the Border Crime Property Damage Compensation Program and modify eligibility requirements.

The bill would create a General Revenue Dedicated account to be used only for the purpose of administering the Border Crime Property Damage Compensation Program. The account would consist proceeds from the sale of forfeited property seized in connection with the offense of smuggling of persons, after required distributions have been made.

It is assumed that any administrative costs to the Office of the Attorney General for the implementation of the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

The Comptroller's office indicates there would be no significant fiscal impact to the agency.

The Department of Insurance indicates there would be no significant fiscal impact to the agency.

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 in, with, or outside 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.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 454 Department of Insurance
LBB Staff: JMc, WP, LCO, JKe