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TO: Honorable Brooks Landgraf, Chair, House Committee on Environmental Regulation

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1499 by Walle (relating to the creation of an environmental product declaration grant program for certain manufacturers of ready-mixed concrete.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined because the amounts and timing of appropriations that would be made for the purpose of providing grants, the number of eligible manufacturers, the number of grantees, timing of grant distributions, and the amount of grant funds that would be provided is unknown at this time.

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

The bill would amend Water Code and direct the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to establish and administer a grant program to reimburse certain manufacturers of ready-mixed concrete for certain costs related to accessing or generating environmental product declarations. The bill would apply to ready-mixed concrete manufacturers that are for-profit entities, independently owned and operated, and have fewer than 100 employees or less than \$6,000,000 in annual gross receipts. These manufacturers would be required to use environmental product declarations for their products as a condition to receive these grants. TCEQ would be required to adopt rules to implement the program.

This analysis assumes General Revenue Fund appropriations would be necessary to provide funding to implement the new grant program.

Based on information provided by TCEQ, this analysis assumes additional staff and resources could be needed for TCEQ establish and administer the new grant program. However, the fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined because the amounts and timing of appropriations that would be made for the purpose of providing grants, the number of eligible manufacturers, the number of grantees, timing of grant distributions, and the amount of grant funds that would be provided is unknown at this time.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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