## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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**TO:** Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3232 by Smith, Todd (Relating to the collection of costs incurred by a municipality in

remedying substandard conditions on a property. ), As Passed 2nd House

## No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to require the person who assesses the ad valorem taxes for municipalities in a certain county to include on the ad valorem tax bill a separate item that assesses expenses and interest accrued for violations of municipal sanitation regulations. If the person who assesses or collects taxes for the municipality is not an officer or employee of the municipality, the municipality would be required to negotiate a reasonable fee to pay the collector for the services provided. The bill would take effect September 1, 2003 and would apply to collections of an expense and interest incurred by a municipality accrued before, on, or after the effective date.

The bill would apply to a county with two or more municipalities each with a population of 300,000 or more. Tarrant County is the only county to which the population criteria applies; therefore, the bill would apply only to municipalities within Tarrant County.

## **Local Government Impact**

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

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