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TO: Honorable Geanie W. Morrison, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB977 by Schwertner (Relating to the use of state money for high-speed rail operated by a private entity.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to prohibit the Legislature from appropriating money and a state agency from accepting or using state money to pay for certain costs of high-speed rail operated by a private entity except as required by federal law other state law, including the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The bill would require a state agency to provide a quarterly report on expenses related to high-speed rail.

The Texas Department of Transportation indicates that implementation of the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant fiscal impact.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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