

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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S.B. 52  
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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

S.B. 52 applies to the expenditure of funds on rail facilities by the Texas Department of Transportation and exempts several sources of funding from the \$12.5 million yearly funding limit imposed on the Texas Department of Transportation for rail facilities by House Bill 3588, 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003. As proposed, S.B. 52 ensures that federal funds appropriated for a specific rail project can be expended on that project; recognizes that federal funds are sometimes provided in the form of reimbursement; and allows the governor to provide grants as determined necessary for economic and infrastructure development in this state.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 91.071(b), Transportation Code, to provide that this subsection does not apply to certain funds, including grants, loans, or reimbursements that are provided from the Federal Railroad Administration or Federal Transit Administration; federal funds authorized and appropriated by the United States Congress for a specific project; or grant money awarded by the governor from the Texas Enterprise Fund.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or November 1, 2003.