Summary of Legislative Action H.B. 1580 Flynn (Hegar)

The Legislature adopted the Sunset Commission recommendations and added several provisions to House Bill 1580. The bill continues the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation and provides additional flexibility and authority to the Foundation and TDA in the continued fight against boll weevils. The list below summarizes the major provisions of H.B. 1580, and a more detailed discussion is located in each issue.

Sunset Provisions

- 1. Continue the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation for 12 years.
- 2. Provide the Foundation flexibility in the collection and use of grower assessments to meet the changing nature of boll weevil eradication efforts.

Provisions Added by the Legislature

- 1. Provide the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Foundation with additional tools to manage volunteer and hostable cotton.
- 2. Modify the definition of "cotton grower."

Fiscal Implication Summary

House Bill 1580 does not have a fiscal impact to the State.