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TO: Honorable Jane Nelson, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3484 by Delisi (Relating to health care coverage and services and other infrastructures for employed persons with disabilities.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would establish a "work group on health care options for certain persons with disabilities" to identify, recommend, and develop policy options to improve access to health care coverage and services necessary to support increased employment of persons with disabilities. Non-state employee members could be reimbursed for travel expenses if such expenditures were specifically authorized in the General Appropriations Act.

The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), with the assistance of the workgroup, would prepare and present a report to the Legislature no later than November 1, 2004. The bill would direct HHSC to use certain federal grant funding already awarded to the agency. HHSC indicates that such funding is available and therefore there would be no requirement for additional funding.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 318 Commission for the Blind, 320 Texas Workforce Commission, 330 Rehabilitation

Commission, 454 Department of Insurance, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 655 Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

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