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

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB401 by Van de Putte (Relating to testing certain public safety personnel for accidental exposure to hepatitis B or hepatitis C.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the employing organization or the organization, for which the person works as a volunteer, to be financially responsible for the testing for hepatitis B or C following accidental exposure of a health care worker to a patient's blood or other body fluids. Under current law, licensed hospitals are required to test health care workers following an accidental exposure.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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