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TO: Honorable Bill Ratliff, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB541 by Williams (Relating to authorizing insurers and health maintenance organizations to issue plans that do not include state-mandated health benefits or offer of coverage mandates.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The Texas Department of Insurance indicates it would incur a cost associated with implementation of the bill. It is assumed this cost could be absorbed by the agency within its existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 359 Office of Public Insurance Counsel, 454 Department of Insurance

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