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TO: Honorable Carlos Uresti, Chair, House Committee on Government Reform

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB630 by Villarreal (Relating to the distribution of federal earned income tax credit information to persons receiving assistance or benefits under certain health and human services programs.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Texas Government Code, subchapter B, Chapter 531 by adding section 531.087, Distribution of Earned Income Tax Credit Information. This new section requires the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to provide access to information and materials needed to file for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). This service would be provided to persons receiving benefits under the CHIP, Medicaid, TANF, Food Stamp or other appropriate health and human services program. The agency must provide this information to clients annually in January.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 320 Texas Workforce Commission, 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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