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TO: Honorable Suzanna Gratia Hupp, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

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IN RE: HB2572 by Truitt (Relating to the functions of local mental health and mental retardation authorities.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would authorize mental retardation authorities to provide Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation (ICF/MR) and related waiver services if the authority complies with capacity limitations and it is necessary to ensure the availability of services. The bill would require the Executive Commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission to adopt rules to establish the roles and responsibilities of local mental retardation authorities. The bill would delete provisions relating to local authorities as providers of last resort and would authorize local mental health authorities to serve as qualified service providers.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 Department of State Health Services, 539 Department of Aging and Disability Services

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