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TO: Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

IN RE: HB2680 by Branch (Relating to services provided by health care practitioners to charities and liability insurance for those practitioners.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill would amend sections of the Occupations Code and Insurance Code relating to services provided by health care practitioners to charities and medically underserved areas and liability insurance for those practitioners. Based on the analysis of DSHS, the Board of Medical Examiners and the Department of Insurance, it is assumed that any additional duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds majority vote in each house. If the bill does not receive a two-thirds vote in each house, the bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 454 Department of Insurance, 503 Board of Medical Examiners, 537 Department of State Health Services

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