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

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

IN RE: SB563 by Janek (Relating to the prevention of Medicaid fraud; providing penalties.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill amends Section 36.001 of the Human Resources Code by including a manufacturer or distributor of a product for which the Medicaid program provides reimbursement in the definition of a provider.

Section 36.131 is repealed and replaced with Chapter 35A of the Penal Code. Section 35A.02 makes some Medicaid fraud violations criminal offenses.

It is assumed that implementation of the bill can be accomplished within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 452 Department of Licensing and Regulation, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 539 Department of Aging and Disability Services, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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