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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: SB720 by Deuell (Relating to required patient counseling regarding mail order prescription plans for certain public employees and retirees.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Employees Retirement System and the Teacher Retirement System to ensure patient counseling from a Texas-licensed pharmacist is available for each participant in the Group Benefits Program administered by the Employees Retirement System, the Retired Public Education Employee Group Benefits Program administered by the Teacher Retirement System (TRS-Care), and the Public Education Employee Group Benefits Program administered by the Teacher Retirement System (ActiveCare) who receives mail order prescriptions.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 327 Employees Retirement System, 323 Teacher Retirement System LBB Staff: JOB, CL, UP, JSc