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TO: Honorable David Dewhurst , Lieutenant Governor, Senate Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

IN RE: SB809 by Averitt (Relating to the Texas Health Insurance Risk Pool.), Conference Committee Report

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Insurance Code relating to the Texas Health Insurance Risk Pool. Based on the analysis of the Department of Insurance, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

This bill would take effect January 1, 2006.

Local Government Impact

If the provisions of the bill were implemented, costs to self-insured cities and counties could be substantial, with the costs increasing in future years. The amount of these costs is unknown.

Source Agencies: 454 Department of Insurance, 327 Employees Retirement System, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 539 Department of Aging and Disability Services LBB Staff: JOB, JRO, SD, SR, NV, KJG