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TO: Honorable Wayne Smith, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

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

IN RE: HB880 by Howard, Charlie (Relating to a sign advertising or identifying a sexually oriented business; providing civil and criminal penalties.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 47, Business and Commerce Code to prohibit placing or maintaining an outdoor sign advertising or identifying a sexually oriented business, with certain exceptions. A violation would be a Class B misdemeanor. In addition, a violator would be liable to the state for a civil penalty of between \$500 and \$1,000 for each violation. The attorney general would be authorized to sue to collect the penalty.

The Office of the Attorney General anticipates any additional work as a result of the passage of the bill could be reasonably absorbed with current resources.

Local Government Impact

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

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