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**TO:** Honorable Dianne White Delisi, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

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

**IN RE: HB1066** by Delisi (Relating to electronic health information, electronic health records, and creating the Texas Health Service Authority Corporation.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would create the Texas Health Services Authority Corporation to assist in the development of an integrated statewide electronic health information network. According to the bill, the corporation could be funded in the General Appropriations Act and could seek funding through public and private entities. The bill would also authorize the corporation to participate in revenue-generating activities. **The cost to operate the corporation is unknown. It is assumed the corporation would be funded primarily with non-state funds or revenue generated by the corporation.**

The bill would entitle members of the board of directors of the corporation to be reimbursed for certain expenses. Reimbursement by the state would not be permissible without specific authorization in the General Appropriations Act.

The bill would require state agencies collecting health data to comply with data standards for interoperability adopted by the corporation and to implement procedures to receive health information in a standard electronic format. There could be costs to state agencies to update information technology systems to meet these requirements.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of  
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