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TO: Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

IN RE: HB2548 by Smith, Todd (Relating to coverage limitations in health benefit plans.), **As Passed 2nd House**

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| No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. |
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The bill would amend the Insurance Code relating to coverage limitations in health benefit plans.

Based on the analysis the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI), it is assumed that there would be a one-time revenue gain of \$6,400 in the General Revenue Dedicated Account Fund 36 in fiscal year 2008 because the bill would result in 64 filings, each accompanied by a \$100 filing fee. Since General Revenue Dedicated Account Fund 36 is a self-leveling account, this analysis assumes all revenue generated would go toward fund balances or the maintenance tax would be set to recover a lower level of revenue the following year. It is also assumed that any costs realized by TDI from implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 454 Department of Insurance

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