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

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

IN RE: SB971 by Van de Putte (Relating to swimming pool safety; providing a civil penalty.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would add requirements related to pool safety at single-family dwellings. The bill would provide for penalties for violations of provisions of the bill and would authorize the attorney general to bring an action for penalties. The Office of the Attorney General indicates any additional work resulting from the bill could be absorbed with current resources. It is assumed the penalties would not have a significant revenue impact.

The Health and Human Services Commission indicates there would be no fiscal impact for adopting rules related to the bill.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated. District and county attorneys would be able to recover civil penalties from persons who knowingly violate the provisions of the bill, but it would depend upon the number of cases filed and successfully prosecuted.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 529 Health

and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of

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