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TO: Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor, Senate

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

IN RE: SB1972 by Fraser (Relating to the election by voters regarding the maximum tax rate of a hospital district.), As Passed 2nd House

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would repeal Section 285.232 of the Health and Safety Code, thereby removing the expiration date for Subchapter M. Subchapter M covers provision of services and eligibility related to nonemergency public health benefits in a hospital district and elections to increase the maximum tax rate in a hospital district.

The bill would amend Section 5, Chapter 287, Acts of the 61st Legislature, Regular Session, 1969, regarding powers and duties of the board of directors of the Moore County Hospital District.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

Local Government Impact

By removing the expiration date for Subchapter M of Chapter 285, Health and Safety Code, a hospital district would retain its ability to seek from the voters in the district an increase in funding to meet any increases in demand and subsequent costs of providing services.

Because the SECTION of the bill that would affect the Moore County Hospital District would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

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