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TO: Honorable Lois W. Kolkhorst, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

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

IN RE: HB643 by Zerwas (Relating to the qualifications of surgical technologists; imposing penalties.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code by adding a chapter that would specify qualifications for surgical technologists at health facilities licensed by the Department of State Health Services. The agency indicates that adoption of rules would be necessary to implement the provisions of the bill but costs could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 537 State Health Services, Department of

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