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TO: Honorable John T. Smithee, Chair, House Committee on Insurance

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

IN RE: HB1342 by Menendez (Relating to adoption of certain information technology.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Insurance Code to require certain health care providers to use information technology to provide additional information to the enrollee and physician or health care provider at the point of service. The bill also would require the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) to adopt rules to implement the bill. TDI indicates that any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing agency resources.

Based on the analysis by the Teacher Retirement System, the agency would have an additional cost from the third-party administrator for TRS-Active Care to implement the bill's information technology requirements. These costs are expected to be absorbed within the agency's existing budget.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 454 Department of Insurance, 323 Teacher Retirement System, 720 The University of Texas System Administration

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