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TO: Honorable Garnet Coleman, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

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

IN RE: HB2710 by Coleman (Relating to indigent health care services that may be provided by a county.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to authorize a county to provide physical and occupational therapy if the county determines those services to be cost-effective.

The bill would require the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission to adopt rules necessary to implement Section 61.0285, Health and Safety Code, as amended by provisions of the bill as soon as practicable after the effective date of the bill. The bill would take effect immediately if it were to receive the required two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2009.

Local Government Impact

It is assumed that a county would implement physical and occupational therapy services if the costs could be absorbed within existing resources.

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: LBB Staff: JOB, DB