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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: SB779 by Watson (Relating to expedited credentialing for certain individual health care providers providing services under a managed care plan.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Insurance Code to allow non-physician health care providers that join a group of other non-physicians to request expedited credentialing. The bill would result in the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) receiving an increase in complaints from providers who are denied expedited credentialing. TDI indicates that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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