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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: SB957 by Watson (Relating to the ability of a county, public hospital, or hospital district to purchase or arrange for the purchase of certain health coverage or benefits for eligible residents.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to authorize a county, a public hospital, or a hospital district to provide or arrange to provide health care services for eligible residents through the purchase of health coverage or other health benefits.

Local Government Impact

It is assumed that a county, a public hospital, or a hospital district would implement provisions of the bill if sufficient resources exist to absorb any associated costs.

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