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**TO:** Honorable Jane Nelson, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

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

**IN RE: SB1060** by Ellis (Relating to the creation of a strategic plan to reform long-term services and supports for individuals with disabilities.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to develop a strategic plan by December 1, 2010 to reform long-term services and supports for individuals with disabilities. The bill would create the eleven member strategic plan advisory committee and require the committee to provide input to the development of the strategic plan.

The plan would be required to assess the need for services; prescribe methods to expand access to community-based services; analyze current utilization management methods; examine local access issues for community-based services and identify appropriate solutions; examine current functional eligibility criteria, tools, and service planning reimbursement methodology for the home-and community based services (HCS) waiver system and prescribe methods for the waiver's redesign; prescribe methods to improve services delivered in state schools and centers; prescribe methods to improve service quality; and identify barriers to system reform and make related recommendations.

This analysis assumes the creation of the advisory committee and strategic plan will not result in a significant fiscal impact to HHSC for the 2010-11 biennium and costs can be absorbed within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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