# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

### FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

### **April 15, 2009**

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

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

**IN RE: SB1747** by Duncan (Relating to billing practices for certain health care facilities and providers.), **As Introduced** 

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

The bill would amend Chapter 324, Health and Safety Code, relating to requests from third-party payors to health care facilities and providers for itemized statements and other information. The bill would also add sections to the chapter related to payments to preferred providers. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009. The Department of State Health Services indicates that costs to implement the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

#### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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