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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: SB1814 by Van de Putte (Relating to return-to-work coordination services and a return-to-work reimbursement program for employers participating in the workers' compensation system.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Labor Code to regarding the return-to-work reimbursement program. The bill would require the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) to adopt rules to implement the program. The bill would allow TDI to advance funds to employers for purchases related to the return-to-work program. Based on the analysis provided by TDI, any costs associated with implementing the bill could be absorbed within existing agency resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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