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TO: Honorable Lois W. Kolkhorst, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

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

IN RE: HB577 by McClendon (Relating to emergency prehospital care provided by emergency services personnel.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code in relation to written directives and duties of emergency medical services personnel in certain emergency prehospital care situations, including procedures for out-of-hospital DNR order or prescribed DNR identification devices.

The bill includes the definition for emergency medical services personnel, emergency prehospital care, and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. The bill would authorize discontinuation of resuscitation based on the determination by a medical director's or online physician's professional medical judgment if a person's personal physician is not present or does not assume responsibility for the care of the person while the person is receiving emergency prehospital care.

Local Government Impact

The fiscal impact associated with the provisions of the bill would vary depending on the procedures currently in place; however, no significant fiscal impact is anticipated.

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