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TO: Honorable Jim Pitts, Chair, House Committee on Appropriations

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

IN RE: HB1188 by Aliseda (Relating to state assistance for certain county health care expenditures.),
As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 61.038(b), Health and Safety Code, to change the state assistance reimbursement rate for eligible county health care expenditures from 90 percent to an amount equal to that of the actual payment for such services.

According to the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), the agency currently provides reimbursement at 100 percent of the actual payment up to the budgeted amount available; therefore, the only fiscal impact to DSHS would be the need to update program policy.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

The bill would provide increased revenues to counties which would vary depending on the amount spent by a given county on health care services described by the bill.

Source Agencies: 537 State Health Services, Department of

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