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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: SB420 by Deuell (Relating to determining eligibility for indigent health care.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 61.008 of the Health and Safety Code to allow counties to consider the income and resources of a person who has executed an affidavit of support for a "sponsored alien," and the income and resources of the spouse of a person who has executed an affidavit of support, when determining the eligibility of the "sponsored alien" for county indigent health care services. It is assumed that any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill can be absorbed within existing agency resources.

This act would take effect immediately if it receives two-thirds vote of all members of each house. If it does not receive the necessary votes it would take effect September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of, 320 Texas Workforce Commission

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