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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: SB613 by Rodriguez (Relating to educational requirements for licensing as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist and to reciprocity for audiologists licensed in other states.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 401 of the Occupations Code relating to the minimum educational requirement for audiologist licensure and would authorize, under certain conditions, the issuance of an audiologist license to applicants who hold licenses issued by other jurisdictions. The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

The Department of State Health Services indicates that implementation of the provisions of the bill could be accomplished using existing staff and resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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