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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1213 by Clardy (Relating to the authority of a mental health professional or school counselor to disclose certain confidential information.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code relating to the authority of a mental health professional or school counselor to disclose certain confidential information. The bill would allow mental health professionals and school counselors to disclose confidential information to certain individuals where the mental health professional or school counselor has heard the patient or student make a threat of physical violence.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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