

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 18, 2013**

**TO:** Honorable Richard Peña Raymond, Chair, House Committee On Human Services

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1561** by Klick (Relating to access to a deceased person's mental health information.),  
**As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend Chapter 611 of the Health and Safety Code as it relates to access to a deceased person's mental health information. The bill would modify the exception to confidentiality of mental health records to include access by certain individuals to the records of a deceased patient. The Department of State Health Services indicates the provisions of the bill could be implemented within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 537 State Health Services, Department of

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