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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2186** by Workman (Relating to authority of certain facilities to temporarily detain a person with mental illness.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 573 of the Health and Safety Code relating to the authority of certain facilities to temporarily detain a person with mental illness. Under the provisions of the bill, mental health facilities, hospitals licensed under chapter 241, and freestanding medical care facilities licensed under chapter 254 would be allowed to temporarily detain a person who expresses a desire to leave that facility or attempts to leave before receiving a psychiatric examination or treatment under specific conditions. The Department of State Health Services indicates that the provisions of the bill can 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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