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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2673 by Price (Relating to the protection and care of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS), and the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to perform a state and federal criminal history background check on a person who contracts or may contract with the agency and is in direct contact with state supported living center (SSLC) residents and permits the agencies to access background criminal history record information maintained by the Department of Public Safety (DPS). DPS would be required to provide the agencies with electronic updates on arrests or convictions of contractors. Requirements regarding contractors apply to contracts entered into by the agencies beginning June 1, 2013.

The bill would amend the Government Code to expand the settings subject to the mortality review process to include all Section 1915(c) Medicaid waiver programs for which individuals are eligible for Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disability (ICF/IID) services.

Based on the number of additional background checks and mortality reviews anticipated as a result of the bill, DADS, HHSC, and DSHS assume any cost to implement provisions in the bill would be minimal and may be absorbed within existing resources. DPS assumes there would be a small cost to the agency to perform the background checks, which would be offset by a small revenue gain.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of, 539 Aging and Disability Services, Department of

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