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**TO:** Honorable John T. Smithee, Chair, House Committee on Insurance

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

**IN RE: HB3455** by Eiland (Relating to access to pharmaceutical care under certain health benefit plans.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Insurance Code relating to access to pharmaceutical care under certain health benefit plans. The bill would apply to a health benefit plan that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2014.

Based on information provided by the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI), it is assumed that any costs associated with the implementation of this bill would be absorbed within existing staff and resources. Also, based on information provided by TDI, this analysis assumes that implementation of the bill would result in an increase in filings in order to disclose the information required and a one-time revenue gain (\$9,500 in fiscal year 2014) in General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Department of Insurance Fund 36 from filing fees. Since General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Department of Insurance Fund 36 is a self-leveling account, this analysis also assumes that any additional revenue resulting from the implementation of the bill would accumulate in account fund balances and that the department would adjust the assessment of the maintenance tax or other fees accordingly in the following year.

Based on information provided by the Teacher Retirement System, Employee Retirement System, University of Texas System, and Texas A&M University System, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 323 Teacher Retirement System, 327 Employees Retirement System, 454 Department of Insurance, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration

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