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TO: Honorable Jane Nelson, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1836 by Deuell (Relating to funding of the Texas Home Visiting Program.), As Introduced

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined at this time due to lack of information about the potential increase in vital statistics fees or the amount of vital statistics fee revenue that would be available for the program.

The bill would amend Chapter 191 of the Health and Safety Code relating to funding of the Texas Home Visiting Program. The bill would allow the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to collect fees for vital statistics services exceeding the amount necessary to administer the vital statistics system. The bill would allow a portion of the fees collected to be appropriated to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to fund the Texas Home Visiting Program. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2013.

The bill may have a fiscal impact dependent on the availability of new revenue. It is assumed that the fees will be increased to cover any additional costs; however there could be a cost to the fund if HHSC were appropriated funds in excess of the amount of revenue collected in a fiscal year.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 529 Health and Human Services

Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of

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