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TO: Honorable Charles Schwertner, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2696** by Howard (Relating to a study on reducing workplace violence against nurses.),
Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 105 of the Health and Safety Code to require that the nursing resource section (Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies (TCNWS)) of the Health Provisions Resource Center at the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) conduct a study and publish results on workplace violence against nurses in certain facilities by December 1, 2016. The bill would require that TCNWS cooperate with DSHS and the Texas Board of Nursing to conduct the study. The Texas Board of Nursing and DSHS indicate that the bill could be implemented with existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 507 Texas Board of Nursing, 537 State Health Services, Department of

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