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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3971 by King, Susan (Relating to the provision of notice by the Department of Aging and Disability Services to neighborhoods in which certain group homes are located to protect the safety of the residents of those group homes.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 161 of the Human Resources Code to require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to adopt rules regarding a process for the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) to provide notice in certain circumstances about the presence of a group home to the neighborhood in which the group home is located. The bill would require that the process be developed by HHSC and DADS in collaboration with certain advocacy groups. HHSC indicates that the provisions of the bill could be implemented within existing resources. DADS indicates there would be a minimal cost to track certain information about group homes and manage the notification process. In addition, DADS indicates there would be a minimal cost for system modifications. It is assumed that these costs could be reasonably absorbed by the agency.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 539 Aging and Disability

Services, Department of

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