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TO: Honorable Myra Crownover, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB791 by Kolkhorst (Relating to testing for and education about congenital

cytomegalovirus in infants.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to require that the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), in consultation with the Texas Medical Board, develop and publish educational materials regarding congenital cytomegalovirus in infants. DSHS is also required to establish an outreach program and add information on the disease to the existing resource pamphlet required by statute. The bill would require birthing facilities to test for cytomegalovirus if an infant does not pass a newborn hearing screening, unless the parent declines the test. Both DSHS and the Texas Medical Board indicate that any costs associated with implementation of the bill could be accomplished using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 503 Texas Medical Board, 529 Health and Human Services Commission,

537 State Health Services, Department of

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