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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1540 by Perry (Relating to the authority of the Health and Human Services Commission to obtain criminal history record information of certain applicants for employment and current employees.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to provide the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) with the authority to obtain criminal history record information from the Department of Public Safety (DPS) of certain applicants for employment and current employees. The bill specifies that criminal history record information may be obtained for certain employees or job applicants whose position has access to sensitive personal or financial information. HHSC estimates there would be a cost associated with implementing provisions of the bill, however it is anticipated that the cost could be absorbed within existing agency resources. It is assumed that the provisions of the bill related to DPS can be implemented within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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