

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Four Price, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2697** by Price (Relating to telemedicine and telehealth services.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

This bill would amend the Occupations Code and Insurance Code relating to telemedicine and telehealth services. Under the provisions of the bill, the Texas Medical Board (TMB), Texas Board of Nursing (BON), Texas Physician Assistant Board, and Texas State Board of Pharmacy (TSBP) are required to adopt rules to determine a valid telemedicine prescription and publish frequently asked questions relating to a valid prescription on each respective agency website.

Based on information provided by TMB, BON, TSBP, the Texas Department of Insurance, and the Health and Human Services Commission, it is assumed that the duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 454 Department of Insurance, 507 Texas Board of Nursing, 515 Board of Pharmacy, 503 Texas Medical Board, 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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