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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB3292** by Klick (Relating to the continuation and reinstatement of medical assistance for certain individuals.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined at this time due to insufficient information regarding the client services impact related to implementing the provisions of the bill.

The bill would require that Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) cash assistance and supplemental security income (SSI) recipients continue to be eligible for Medicaid if the individual experiences a temporary increase in income for one month or less. Additionally, the bill would require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to recertify these recipients as eligible for Medicaid if they were determined ineligible due to an error by the state or federal government or because the individual experienced a temporary increase in income for one month or less, provided they are otherwise eligible. HHSC would be required to recertify the individual no later than the 90th day after the individual is determined ineligible or the error is discovered.

According to HHSC, there would be costs associated with system modifications and other administrative functions necessary to implement the provisions of the bill. Additionally, there would be a significant client services cost associated with implementing the provisions of the bill; however, due to insufficient information provided by HHSC, those costs cannot be determined at this time.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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