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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB397 by Kolkhorst (Relating to the composition of the governing bodies of and the consultation policies of local mental health authorities with respect to local law enforcement agencies.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code by requiring a local mental health authority governing body to include one representative of a local law enforcement agency of a county or municipality in the local authority's service area. If a local mental health authority does not have a governing body, the local authority shall consult with a representative of a local law enforcement agency of a county or municipality's service area regarding the use of funds received.

The act would take effect September 1, 2017.

The Commission on Law Enforcement, Department of State Health Services, and Health and Human Services Commission anticipate no fiscal impact from the bill to the State.

Local Government Impact

According to Texas Association of Counties, no significant fiscal impact is anticipated.

According to the Health and Human Services Commission, local governments may experience a fiscal impact due to an increased diversion effort from the criminal justice system. Due to variation across communities the number of diversions and fiscal impact cannot be determined at this time.

Source Agencies: 407 Commission on Law Enforcement, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of

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