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TO: Honorable Four Price, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **SB1081** by Burton (Relating to the administration of prophylaxis to prevent ophthalmia neonatorum.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would exempt a physician, nurse, midwife, or other person in attendance at childbirth from criminal, civil, or administrative liability or disciplinary action for failure to administer prophylaxis for ophthalmia neonatorum due to the objection of a parent, managing conservator, or guardian of a newborn. The bill would require that the objection be entered into the medical record of the infant.

The Department of Licensing and Regulation and the Department of State Health Services indicate that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 452 Department of Licensing and Regulation, 503 Texas Medical Board, 507 Texas Board of Nursing, 515 Board of Pharmacy, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of

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