

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

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

**IN RE: SB1148** by Buckingham (Relating to maintenance of certification by a physician or an applicant for a license to practice medicine in this state.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend the Occupations Code and the Insurance Code relating to maintenance of certification by a physician or an applicant for a license to practice medicine in this state. The bill would prohibit certain hospitals, institutions, programs, or managed care plan issuer from differentiating between physicians based solely on a physician's maintenance of certificate. The bill would prohibit the Texas Medical Board (TMB) from requiring maintenance of certificate or adopting a rule that would require maintenance of certificate.

The TMB, The University of Texas System Administration, Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, Department of Insurance, Health and Human Services Commission, and Department of State Health Services anticipate any additional work resulting from the passage of the bill could be reasonably absorbed within current resources.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 454 Department of Insurance, 503 Texas Medical Board, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration

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