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**TO:** Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB3980** by Hunter (Relating to a requirement that the Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council prepare a report regarding suicide rates in this state and state efforts to prevent suicides.), **As Passed 2nd House**

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

The bill would require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), in conjunction with the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), to prepare a summary report on the prevalence of suicide in the state and state policies and programs across state systems and agencies to prevent suicide. To the extent practicable, the statewide and regional data on the prevalence of suicide-related events in the report would include information on individuals' age, gender, and status as either active-duty military or military veteran. The report would be due not later than May 1, 2020 to the Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council (council), Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each standing legislative committee with primary jurisdiction over health and mental health.

The council would use the summary report and stakeholder input to prepare a legislative report on suicide that identifies opportunities and makes recommendations for state agencies to improve suicide-related data collection, use data to guide and inform suicide prevention policy, and decrease suicide in the state while targeting the highest categories of risk. The council's legislative report would be due not later than September 1, 2020.

DSHS, HHSC, and institutions of higher education that are members of the council indicate that implementing the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant cost.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 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, 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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