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TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

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IN RE: HB3984 by Leach (Relating to health benefit plan coverage for scalp cooling for cancer patients.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Insurance Code relating to health benefit plan coverage for scalp cooling for cancer patients. Based on the analysis of the Employees Retirement System, the additional cost to the health plans may result in the need for higher contributions from both the state and plan members depending on actual plan experience and the totality of benefit requirements passed by the Legislature.

Based on information provided by the Texas Department of Insurance, The University of Texas System Administration, and Texas A&M University System Administration, this analysis assumes that the duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

The bill applies only to a health benefit plan that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2020. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2019.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 323 Teacher Retirement System, 327 Employees Retirement System, 454
Department of Insurance, 529 Health and Human Services Commission,
710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices,
720 The University of Texas System Administration

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