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TO: Honorable James B. Frank, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

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IN RE: HB4372 by Murphy (Relating to youth camp abuse complaints and compliance orders.),
Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to establish a procedure for the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to forward a report of alleged abuse of a camper received by DSHS to the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) or another appropriate agency. DFPS indicates that any increase in the number of reports of alleged abuse could be accommodated using existing resources.

The bill would require DSHS to prescribe the content of youth camp operator notices to the public regarding methods for reporting to DSHS suspected abuse occurring at the youth camp. The bill would also require DSHS to post on the agency's Internet website each youth camp compliance order issued by DSHS until at least the third anniversary of the date the compliance order was finally adjudicated.

The bill would require DSHS to prescribe the content of the notice to the public by December 1, 2019. The bill would not require youth camp operators to comply with the new sections of the bill until January 1, 2020.

DSHS and HHSC indicate that the provisions of the bill could be accomplished with existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 537 State Health Services, Department of, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of

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