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**TO:** Honorable Lois W. Kolkhorst, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
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**IN RE: SB1124** by Lucio (Relating to establishment of a border public health response team.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to require the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to establish a border public health response team to deploy in response to public health threats declared by the commissioner of DSHS and disasters declared in counties adjacent to the international border with Mexico by December 1, 2019.

The bill would require DSHS to consult with other state agencies to develop policies, plans, and procedures to facilitate an effective response. The bill would also require DSHS to provide training, equipment, and support staff to the response team.

The bill would require DSHS to coordinate with appropriate state and federal entities for funding to support the response team's activities. The bill would also allow DSHS to accept gifts, grants, and donations to carry out the purposes of the response team.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill can be implementing using existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

According to the Texas Association of Counties, no fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:**     529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services,  
Department of

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