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

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IN RE: SB1445 by Perry (Relating to simplified certification and recertification requirements for certain persons under the supplemental nutrition assistance program.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 33 of the Human Resources Code to require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to implement certain simplified certification and recertification requirements for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) for certain individuals. The bill requires HHSC to use data matching to help enroll certain individuals into SNAP. HHSC estimates there would be a minimal cost associated with implementing the provisions of the bill. It is assumed that these costs could be absorbed within existing resources. All SNAP benefits are federally funded; therefore, there would be no additional cost to the state for an increased number of recipients receiving benefits.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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