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TO: Honorable Nicole Collier, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1773 by Cook (Relating to creating the criminal offenses of obtaining unneeded medical treatment by deception for a child, elderly individual, or disabled individual and continuous abuse of a child, elderly individual, or disabled individual.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Penal Code as it relates to assaultive offenses. Under the provisions of the bill, in specific circumstances, providing false medical history to obtain unneeded treatment for a child, elderly individual, or disabled individual would be punishable as a third degree felony, and the continuous abuse of a child, elderly individual, or disabled individual would be punishable as a second degree felony.

The Office of Court Administration, the Department of Criminal Justice, and the Department of Family and Protective Services indicate the modifications outlined in the bill's provisions would not result in a significant fiscal impact. This analysis assumes implementing the provisions of the bill addressing felony sanctions would not result in a significant impact on the demand for state correctional resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Admin, 530 Family & Protective Services, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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