

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Jane Nelson, Chair, Senate Committee on Finance

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3459** by Bonnen (Relating to preauthorization requirements for certain medical and health care services and utilization review for certain health benefit plans.), **As Engrossed**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Insurance Code to prohibit a health maintenance organization or insurer that uses a preauthorization process to require certain physicians and providers to obtain preauthorization for certain health care services.

This analysis assumes that the requirements of the bill would be waived for Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program pursuant to Insurance Code Chapter 1211. The Employees Retirement System, Department of Insurance, Texas A&M University System Administration, and University of Texas System Administration indicate that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 327 Employees Retirement System, 454 Department of Insurance, 529 Hlth & Human Svcs Comm, 710 Texas A&M Univ System Admin, 720 UT Sys Admin

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