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

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1876 by Miles (Relating to requiring an emergency operation plan for continued treatment of patients in an end stage renal disease facility in the event of a disaster and the prioritization of power restoration for those facilities during certain disasters.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend Health and Safety Code Chapter 251 to require the Health and Human Services Commission to adopt minimum standards for the continued treatment of patients during a state of disaster and requirements for an emergency operation plan at end stage renal disease facilities.

The bill would also amend Utilities Code Chapter 38 to require the Public Utility Commission of Texas to require an electric utility to give end stage renal disease facilities the same priority that it gives to a hospital in the utility's emergency operation plan for restoring power after an extended power outage.

The Health and Human Services Commission and the Public Utility Commission of Texas indicate any cost to implement provisions of the bill would be minimal and could be absorbed within available resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 473 Public Utility Commission of Texas, 529 Hlth & Human Svcs Comm

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