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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: SB1914 by Blanco (Relating to excluding the value of motor vehicles in determining eligibility for the supplemental nutrition assistance program.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 33 of the Human Resources Code to direct the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to exclude certain resources in determining the eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). HHSC estimates there would be minimal costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill. It is assumed that these costs could be absorbed within existing resources. The bill allows delay if HHSC determines a federal waiver is necessary for implementation. The estimated impact of SNAP client services is \$50,388 in fiscal year 2022, \$13.5 million in fiscal year 2023, \$31.2 million in fiscal year 2024, \$37.0 million in fiscal year 2025, and \$37.7 million in fiscal year 2026. All SNAP benefits are federally funded; therefore these would not be an additional cost to the state for an increased number of recipients receiving SNAP benefits.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 529 Hlth & Human Svcs Comm

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