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TO: Honorable Lacey Hull, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4838 by Morales Shaw (Relating to conducting an assessment of language accessibility with respect to certain health and human services programs and 2-1-1 services provided by the Texas Information and Referral Network.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to employ a language access coordinator to identify gaps in non-English speakers' access to HHSC programs and 2-1-1 services provided by the Texas Information and Referral Network and submit a report to the executive commissioner of HHSC that summarizes findings and provides recommendations for increasing access.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2025, and expire June 1, 2027.

It is assumed that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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