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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR HJC DATE TYPED 03/04/05 HB 608/HJCS

SHORT TITLE Public Health Benefit Employer Info SB \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST Weber

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to SB 204

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Human Services Department (HSD)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Judiciary Committee Substitute for House Bill 608 amends the Public Assistance Act by requiring The Human Services Department to collect information on employers of Medicaid recipients through a data match with the Department of Labor one time each fiscal year.

The Public Assistance Act is further amended by requiring the Human Services Department to submit a report by November 1, 2006 and annually thereafter to the interim legislative Welfare Reform Oversight Committee listing the names of employers who employ twenty-five or more recipients of Medicaid. The report will be developed through an agreement and share of data with the Department of Labor and Human Services Department. The report shall include all recipients employed by the employer and its subsidiaries at all locations within the state and include location of employment, total number of employees and dependents receiving assistance and the total cost to the state of providing the public assistance.

Significant Issues

HSD indicates this will require department programming to complete this match and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between HSD and DOL to establish the data match and protect the confidentiality of the data transmitted. This would be developed into a comprehensive report to be provided to the interim Welfare Reform Oversight Committee.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Enhancements to the interface between HSD and DOL must be made with a level of effort of staff hours at 160 programming hours by HSD and 40 programming hours by DOL. HSD and DOL would need to develop an agreement to complete the data match report.

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

The bill does not indicate what action, if any, the Welfare Reform Oversight Committee is to take upon receipt of the report.

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