

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

S.B. 139  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties observe that the state's adverse licensing, listing, and registration process has worked to keep bad actors out of certain types of health and human service businesses but express concern that loopholes may exist that allow other bad actors to operate. S.B. 139 seeks to close any such loopholes by expanding the types of health and human service providers to which certain related statutory provisions apply.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

S.B. 139 amends the Government Code to include a licensed ambulatory surgical center, a licensed birthing center, a licensed abortion facility, a licensed end stage renal disease facility, a licensed freestanding emergency medical care facility, and an authorized narcotic drug treatment program among the entities to which statutory provisions relating to an adverse licensing, listing, or registration decision by an applicable health and human services agency apply.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2017.