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TO: Honorable Harold V. Dutton, Jr., Chair, House Committee on Juvenile Justice & Family Issues

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB151 by Jackson (Relating to the recognition of foreign adoptions and the issuance of a supplementary birth certificate.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill relates to the recognition of foreign adoptions and the issuance of a supplementary birth certificate. The bill would allow an adoption order rendered to a Texas citizen by a foreign country to be recognized as if the order was rendered by a court in this state. Upon petition for registration of a foreign adoption order, the courts would order the State Registrar to register the order and file a certificate of birth for the child, as appropriate. It is assumed that the Department of Health would absorb any administrative costs the agency may incur in implementing the provisions of the bill.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 501 Department Of Health

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