

Amend **CSSB 6** in Article 1 of the bill by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the article and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the article accordingly:

SECTION 1.____. Subchapter C, Chapter 40, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Section 40.072 to read as follows:

Sec. 40.072. CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES LOCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL PILOT PROGRAM. (a) The executive commissioner by rule shall develop and the department shall implement a pilot program to create child protective services local oversight council in Bexar County.

(b) The executive commissioner and the department shall provide for the appointment of council members so that the council is an effective multidisciplinary team. The council must include:

(1) the director of the child protective services region that includes Bexar County;

(2) local judges;

(3) representatives of local law enforcement and human services agencies;

(4) community leaders;

(5) child protective services division staff members;

and

(6) a director of a local public health region or district that includes Bexar County.

(c) The council shall:

(1) review local child protective services matters, including:

(A) local fiscal and personnel decisions;

(B) case management services; and

(C) community relations development;

(2) recommend to the director of the child protective services region policies designed to:

(A) address local concerns regarding child abuse and neglect; and

(B) provide more efficient and effective service delivery in Bexar County; and

(3) review the implementation of policies recommended by the council under Subdivision (2).

(d) Not later than January 1, 2007, the department shall submit to the legislature a report concerning the effectiveness of the pilot program in reducing the incidence of child abuse and neglect in Bexar County.

(e) This section expires and the council is abolished September 1, 2007.