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TO: Honorable Will Hartnett, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary

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IN RE: HB230 by Hartnett (Relating to grounds for removal of a guardian.), As Introduced

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Probate Code 761(a)(7) and 761(c)(6) by adding "or neglects" to both sections. This amendment would allow the court to remove, on its own motion or on motion of any interested person, the guardian when the guardian neglects the ward. The court already has this authority when the "guardian cruelly treats" the ward.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 242 State Commission on

Judicial Conduct, 530 Department of Family and Protective Services, 539 Department

of Aging and Disability Services

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