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TO: Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1179 by Dutton (Relating to the authority of an associate judge in certain family law cases.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would allow an associate judge hearing family law cases under Subchapter A of Chapter 201 of the Family Code to sign and render a temporary order. Previously, this type of associate judge could only recommend a temporary order to the referring court.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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