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

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

IN RE: HB772 by Dutton (Relating to suits affecting the parent-child relationship, including the powers and duties of domestic relations offices and the conducting of social studies.),
Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 107, Human Resources Code, to require the Executive Commissioner of Health and Human Services to adopt rules establishing minimum qualifications for employees or other authorized representatives of the Department of Family and Protective Services and licensed child-placing agencies who conduct social studies. It is assumed that the duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 405 Department of Public Safety

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