

SENATE AMENDMENTS

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By: Bolton, et al.

H.B. No. 3309

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the ability of advocacy and support groups for victims
3 of sexual assault to provide services for children confined in
4 Texas Youth Commission facilities.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Human Resources Code,
7 is amended by adding Section 61.0386 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 61.0386. ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT GROUPS FOR VICTIMS OF
9 SEXUAL ASSAULT. The commission shall allow advocacy and support
10 groups for victims of sexual assault to provide information,
11 support, and other services for children confined in commission
12 facilities.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

By: *J.J. Amj-*

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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3309:

By: *J.J. Amj-*

C.S. H.B. No. **3309**

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7 is amended by adding Section 61.0386 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 61.0386. ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT GROUPS. (a) The
9 commission shall allow advocacy and support groups whose primary
10 functions are to benefit children, inmates, girls and women, the
11 mentally ill, and victims of sexual assault to provide on-site
12 information, support, and other services for children confined in
13 commission facilities.

14 (b) The commission shall adopt security and privacy
15 procedures for advocacy and support groups that provide on-site
16 information, support, and other services under this section. The
17 security and privacy procedures may not be designed to deny an
18 advocacy or support group access to children confined in commission
19 facilities.

20 (c) The commission shall adopt standards consistent with
21 standards adopted by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice
22 regarding the confidential correspondence of children confined in
23 commission facilities with external entities, including advocacy
24 and support groups.

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 19, 2007

TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

IN RE: **HB3309** by Bolton (Relating to the ability of certain advocacy and support groups to provide services for children confined in Texas Youth Commission facilities.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would add Section 61.0386 to Chapter 61 of the Human Resources Code requiring the Texas Youth Commission (TYC) to allow advocacy and other groups to provide information, support, and other services to children in TYC. The bill would also require TYC to adopt security and privacy procedures for advocacy groups providing services to children in TYC. The bill also requires TYC to adopt confidentiality standards consistent with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) regarding correspondence between children confined in TYC facilities and external entities, including advocacy and support groups.

The Texas Youth Commission anticipates no fiscal impact from this bill.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 694 Youth Commission

LBB Staff: JOB, ES, GG, AI

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The bill would add Section 61.0386 to Chapter 61 of the Human Resources Code requiring the Texas Youth Commission (TYC) to allow advocacy and other groups for victims of sexual assault to provide information, support, and other services to children in TYC.

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FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 24, 2007

TO: Honorable Jerry Madden, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

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

IN RE: HB3309 by Bolton (Relating to the ability of advocacy and support groups for victims of sexual assault to provide services for children confined in Texas Youth Commission facilities.), **As Introduced**

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT STATEMENT

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No significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies is anticipated from any provisions of this bill that authorize or require a change in the sanctions applicable to adults convicted of felony crimes.

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March 22, 2007

TO: Honorable Jerry Madden, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

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