

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Todd Hunter, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

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

**IN RE: HB514** by Vaught (Relating to recovery of loss of consortium damages by a parent for injury to a child as a result of certain crimes against the child.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code relating to recovery of loss of consortium damages by a parent for injury to a child as a result of certain crimes against the child. To the extent the bill creates a new cause of action, no significant increase in judicial workloads or fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated. The bill would create a cause of action for a parent for loss of consortium of a child in connection with certain crimes against children. The number of cases could increase slightly; however, the costs associated are not anticipated to be significant.

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