

**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: HB2707** by Hochberg (Relating to the jurisdiction of certain courts in suits affecting the parent-child relationship.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to the jurisdiction of certain courts in suits affecting the parent-child relationship. The bill would provide that, notwithstanding any other provision, a state court may exercise jurisdiction in child custody cases if a court in a foreign country has not provided notice and an opportunity to be heard in accordance with state law. To the extent the bill would amend court procedures, 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.

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

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