

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

**IN RE: SB843** by Uresti (Relating to protective orders issued against a third party to prevent family or dating violence.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to protective orders issued against a third party to prevent family or dating violence. The bill would expand the definitions of dating violence and family violence in the context of protective orders. To the extent the bill would amend court definitions, the change is not anticipated to increase the workload of the courts. The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds vote by both houses. Otherwise, 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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