

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 82ND LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

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**TO:** Honorable Jim Jackson, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

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

**IN RE: HB436** by Parker (Relating to standing for certain foster parents to file a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend the Family Code to reduce the amount of time a foster parent must have a child in their home (from 12 months to 6 months) before having standing to file a suit affecting the parent child relationship (SAPCR). To the extent the bill would result in increased filings of SAPCRs, the amount of new filings is not anticipated to be significant and would not affect the workloads of the court system. The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

**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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