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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: HB835 by Parker (relating to standing for certain individuals to file a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend a provision of the Family Code to provide that the limitations on filing suit would not apply to a person related to the child within the third degree by consanguinity who otherwise has standing as determined under Subchapter B, Chapter 573, Government Code, so long as the person files an original suit or suit for modification requesting managing conservatorship or adoption of the child not later than the 30th day after the date the termination of the parent-child relationship occurs in a suit filed by the Department of Family and Protective Services, under certain conditions. To the extent the bill would result in additional filings, no significant fiscal implication to the workload of the courts is anticipated. The bill would take immediate effect if the bill receives two-thirds the vote of all members in both houses. Otherwise, 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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