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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: HB910 by Thompson (Relating to gestational agreements.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to gestational agreements to allow single or unmarried parents to benefit from the legal safeguards surrounding these agreements (presently, only married couples may enter an enforceable gestational agreement). It is assumed that any costs to the Department of State Health Services related to issuance of birth certificates can be absorbed within existing resources.

According to the Office of Court Administration, bill amendments will affect attorneys in this practice area, but no significant impact on court operations is anticipated. 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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