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TO: Honorable Chris Harris, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

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IN RE: SB61 by Zaffirini (relating to juvenile case managers.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Article 45.056, Code of Criminal Procedure to allow a court to pay for the training of a juvenile case manager from the juvenile case manager fund that may be established under Article 102.0174, Code of Criminal Procedure. The bill would also create minimum standards for juvenile case managers, which include a code of ethics, minimum education requirements, and training standards. For this analysis, it is assumed that any work resulting from the passage of this bill could be reasonably absorbed with current resources. This analysis determines that implementing the provisions of the bill would not pose a significant fiscal impact to the state.

Local Government Impact

The bill would allow funds from the juvenile case manager fund to pay for the training of juvenile case managers and would require the governing body of a locality to adopt a code of ethics, minimum education requirements and minimum training standards for juvenile case managers. Fiscal impact would vary depending on the cost of training and the amount in the fund in a given locality but is not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 665 Juvenile Probation Commission

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