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TO: Honorable Tryon D. Lewis, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB845 by Lucio III (Relating to possession of or access to a child.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code to change provisions relating to time periods under standard possession orders and acceptable means of delivery of notice. The bill would repeal the Family Code Section 153.3162 authorizing child conservators to petition a court to award additional periods of possession of or access to a child to compensate for certain periods of military deployment.

The Office of Court Administration does not anticipate any significant fiscal impact to the court system resulting from the bill. The Office of Attorney General indicates that it could absorb any costs associated with the bill within existing agency resources. The change in law would apply only to court orders rendered after the bill's effective date. The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of

the Attorney General

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