

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Tan Parker, Chair, House Committee On Corrections

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1543** by Allen (Relating to the authority of the office of independent ombudsman with the Texas Juvenile Justice Department in regard to juveniles in custody in facilities other than juvenile justice facilities.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend Chapter 261 of the Human Resources Code to allow the Office of the Independent Ombudsman of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (JJD) to communicate with a juvenile offender residing at a facility other than a facility operated by JJD. It is assumed that implementing the provisions of the bill can be absorbed within the existing resources of the agency. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2013.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 409 Commission on Jail Standards, 644 Texas Juvenile Justice Department, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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