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TO: Honorable Royce West, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1583 by Ellis (Relating to extending the court's jurisdiction in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship over certain young people for purposes of obtaining special immigrant juvenile status and Department of Family and Protective Services policies for handling cases involving those young people.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code and Human Resources Code as they relate to extending the court's jurisdiction in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship over certain young people for purposes of obtaining special immigrant juvenile status and the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) caseworker policies for handling cases involving those young people.

The bill would require the executive commissioner to adopt rules that prohibit caseworkers from seeking a waiver from any fees associated with completing and filing an application for legal permanent resident status. It is assumed that any cost to implement this provision could be handled within existing resources.

DFPS does not anticipate any significant fiscal impact as a result of complying with the other provisions of the bill.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 530 Family

and Protective Services, Department of

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