1-1 S.B. No. 125 By: West (In the Senate - Filed November 10, 2014; January 27, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services; March 31, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 March 31, 2015, sent to printer.) 1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE 1-7 Nay 1-8 Yea Absent **PNV** 1-9 Schwertner Χ 1-10 1-11 Kolkhorst Campbell 1-12 X Estes Perry 1-13 Χ 1-14 Rodríguez Χ 1**-**15 1**-**16 Taylor of Collin Χ Uresti 1-17 Zaffirini Χ 1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 125 By: Schwertner 1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-20 AN ACT 1-21 relating to certain assessments for children in the conservatorship 1-22 of the Department of Family and Protective Services. 1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 266, Family Code, is amended by adding 1-25 Section 266.012 to read as follows: Sec. 266.012. COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENTS. (a) Not later than the 45th day after the date a child enters the conservatorship 1-26 1-27 of the department, the child shall receive a developmentally 1-28 1-29 appropriate comprehensive assessment. The assessment must 1-30 include: (1) a screening for trauma; and(2) interviews with individuals who have knowledge of 1-31 1-32 the child's needs. 1-33

(b) The department shall develop guidelines regarding the

contents of an assessment report.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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