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TO: Honorable Harold V. Dutton, Jr., Chair, House Committee on Juvenile Justice & Family Issues

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1781 by Bonnen, Greg (Relating to access by a sibling of a child separated from the sibling due to an action by the Department of Family and Protective Services.),
Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

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| No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. |
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The bill would amend Section 102.0045 of the Family Code to authorize the sibling of a child separated by the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) to file an original suit requesting access to the child, regardless of the age of the sibling. The court would be required to expedite the suit.

DFPS anticipates no fiscal impact as a result of implementing this bill.

The Office of Court Administration anticipates no significant fiscal impact to the state court system resulting from this bill.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2015.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal impact to local courts is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of

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