

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: HB2159** by Moody (Relating to requiring the payment of restitution as a condition of community supervision for offenses involving family violence committed in the presence of certain children.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure regarding the payment of restitution as a condition of community supervision for offenses involving family violence committed in the presence of a child under the age of 15. The bill would require the court to make findings regarding the existence of a child witness; order restitution for the payment of medical, psychiatric, and psychological care for the child witness, and specify manner of payment. The bill would consider the restitution order as a civil action for purposes of enforcement and would permit the court to modify the restitution order in a subsequent hearing. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 304  
Comptroller of Public Accounts

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