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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: SB1149 by Watson (Relating to the commitment of certain juveniles to local post-adjudication secure correctional facilities in certain counties and to the release under supervision of those juveniles.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the various codes to allow juveniles committed to certain local secure post-adjudication facilities with a determinate sentence to be transferred to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to complete the determinate sentence in an adult state correctional institution or under adult parole supervision. The ability to transfer determinate sentence youth is an option for Texas Juvenile Justice Department facilities, and the bill would expand this ability to certain local secure post-adjudication facilities. The bill would allow eligible juveniles committed to certain local secure post-adjudication facilities on an indeterminate sentence to receive services from the Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments. The bill would also expand the jurisdiction of the independent ombudsman to include certain local secure post-adjudication facilities.

The Office of Court Administration and the Texas Juvenile Justice Department indicate implementing the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant fiscal impact. This analysis assumes implementing the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant impact on state adult correctional or juvenile justice agencies.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 644 Juvenile Justice Department, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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