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TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **SB1876** by Zaffirini (Relating to the appointment of attorneys ad litem, guardians ad litem, and mediators.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Government Code to require each court in Texas to establish and maintain lists of attorneys who have registered and are qualified to serve as attorneys ad litem, guardians ad litem, and mediators. With certain exceptions, as described, a judge would be required to appoint the person whose name appears first on the list, and then move that person to the end of the list. The Office of Court Administration indicates bill provisions are not anticipated to have a significant fiscal implication for the court system.

Local Government Impact

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

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

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