

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Relating to the exchange of certain information between the Department of Family and Protective Services and the Texas Juvenile Justice Department. (Original Author's / Statement of Intent)

C.S.H.B. 1521 amends current law relating to the exchange of certain information between the Department of Family and Protective Services or certain foster care services contractors and a state or local juvenile justice agency.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 58.0052, Family Code, by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2), as follows:

(a) Defines "juvenile justice agency" and makes nonsubstantive changes.

(b-1) Requires the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) or a single source continuum contractor who contracts with DFPS to provide foster care services, at the request of a state or local juvenile justice agency (agency) to, not later than the 14th business day after the date of the request, share with the agency information in the possession of DFPS or contractor that assists the agency in the continuation of services for or providing services to a multi-system youth who meets certain criteria.

(b-2) Requires a state or local agency, at the request of DFPS or a single source continuum contractor who contracts with DFPS to provide foster care services, to share with DFPS or contractor information in the possession of the agency that assists DFPS or contractor in the continuation of services for or providing services to a multi-system youth who is or has been in the custody or control of the agency.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.