

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**February 26, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Richard Peña Raymond, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB249** by Hernandez (Relating to the definitions of abuse and neglect of a child applicable to investigations of abuse and neglect in certain facilities.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Family Code and the Human Resources Code to clarify the definitions of abuse and neglect used in the investigation and resolution of reports of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of children in certain state regulated facilities and child care programs. The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Based on the LBB's analysis of the Health and Human Services Commission, 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:** 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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