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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB454 by Perry (Relating to certain protective orders in a suit for dissolution of marriage or a suit affecting the parent-child relationship, including a proceeding to adjudicate parentage.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code to require the petitioner in a suit for dissolution of a marriage state the existence of a protective order; or an order for emergency protection; or an application for a protective order with regard to a party to the suit or a child of a party to the suit. The petitioner would be required to attach a copy of the protective order(s) in which a party to the suit or the child of a party to the suit was the applicant or victim of the conduct alleged in the application or order, and the other party was the respondent or defendant of an action regarding the conduct alleged in the application or order. The bill would also require petitioners in a proceeding to adjudicate parentage to adhere to these requirements. The bill would exempt a Title IV-D state agency from the bill's statement and document submission requirements.

Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and Office of the Attorney General, 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, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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