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TO: Honorable Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor, Senate

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB495 by Uresti (Relating to certain procedural measures in a suit affecting a parent-child relationship to protect a child against child neglect or physical or sexual abuse.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to certain measures in a custody dispute affecting a parent-child relationship to extend the rebuttable presumption to include other people with a history or pattern of child neglect, abuse, or family violence that are likely to have unsupervised access to the child in addition to an abusive parent with a history of child neglect, abuse, or family violence. The bill would allow a court to decline judgment on a mediated settlement agreement if the agreement would allow a person registered as sex offender or that has a history or pattern of abuse or family violence, to live with the child or to have unsupervised access to the child. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, 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

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