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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1965 by Creighton (Relating to enforcement of child support obligations.), As
Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code and the Natural Resources Code to allow the use of videoconferencing, teleconferencing, and other remote electronic means in court proceedings related to release from custody and determination of indigent status in cases where a respondent has been arrested for failure to pay child support. The bill would make certain oil and gas proceeds subject to child support property liens and withholding orders. 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, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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