BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3145 By: Toth Juvenile Justice & Family Issues Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

There have been reports that some Texas schools restrict the access of a parent appointed as a conservator of a child to attend lunch and certain other activities with the child because of a lack of specificity in current law regarding what constitutes a school activity. H.B. 3145 seeks to ensure that a person appointed as a conservator of a child may participate in the child's school activities.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 3145 amends the Family Code to specify that the school activities a parent appointed as a conservator of a child has at all times the right to attend include school lunches, performances, and field trips.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.