

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 3389  
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Human Services  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Given that the nonprofit agencies providing assistance to families in crisis are essential to the core mission of the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), there have been calls for the state to create the position within DFPS of nonprofit agency services coordinator, serving as a statewide liaison between DFPS and these crucial agencies. H.B. 3389 seeks to provide for the creation of that position.

### **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. 3389 amends the Human Resources Code to require the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) to designate a DFPS employee as the nonprofit agency services coordinator to serve as a liaison between DFPS and nonprofit agencies that provide assistance to families in crisis. The bill requires the coordinator to assist nonprofit agencies in providing services and resources to such families, including:

- temporary out-of-home placement of a child with a caregiver;
- transportation, meals, babysitting services, and other support services;
- furniture, clothing, and other household items;
- parenting education training; and
- mentoring programs, including programs for young adults aging out of foster care.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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