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TO: Honorable James B. Frank, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

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Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1109 by Swanson (Relating to waiving certain annual training requirements for foster parents.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 42 of the Human Resources Code to require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to establish rules that create a procedure to allow a foster child's caseworker to waive any annual training requirements for the child's foster parent if the training is not directly related to caring for the child. Although the bill requires caseworkers at the Department of Family and Protective Services to waive training requirements, it is assumed that HHSC will continue to provide these services and implement the provisions of the bill. Based on the LBB's analysis of HHSC's duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 530 Family and Protective

Services, Department of

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