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TO: Honorable Lois W. Kolkhorst, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

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Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1362 by Wu (Relating to the caseloads of child protective services caseworkers.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) to study the development and implementation of a scoring system to ensure equity in the distribution of cases among child protective services caseworkers. DFPS would report the results of the study and any recommendations to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and chairs of the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives having primary jurisdiction over child protection issues, not later than September 1, 2020.

DFPS has indicated the provisions of the bill could be accomplished utilizing existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of

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