

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 9, 2019**

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

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1780** by Miller (Relating to the mandatory dismissal date of certain suits affecting the parent-child relationship involving the Department of Family and Protective Services.),  
**As Engrossed**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Family Code to require a court to consider whether a parent has made a good faith effort to complete a substance abuse treatment program when determining whether extraordinary circumstances exist to extend a dismissal deadline. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and the Department of Family and Protective Services, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished using existing resources.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2019 and apply to suits filed before, on, or after the effective date.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:**        212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of

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