

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**March 6, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Victoria Neave, Chair, House Committee on Juvenile Justice & Family Issues

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB851** by Cook (Relating to the admission by a party of a material and substantial change of circumstances in a motion to modify an order in certain family law cases.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend two provisions in the Family Code related to modifying maintenance orders. Under the provisions of the bill, a party that files a motion to modify maintenance based on a material and substantial change of circumstances may not be considered on that basis alone to have admitted a material and substantial change of circumstances regarding any other matter.

According to the Office of Court Administration, no significant fiscal impact to the state court system is anticipated.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Admin

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