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

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1315 by Johnson, Jarvis (Relating to the duration of an appointment of a guardian ad litem or an attorney ad litem for a child in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Family Code to mandate continuation of the appointment of attorney ad litem, guardian ad litem, or attorney ad litem appointed in the dual role for a child, for as long as the child remains in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS).

Local Government Impact

DFPS assumes potential costs to local government entities associated with continuation of an appointment of attorney ad litem for the entirety of a child's stay in the department's custody.

Source Agencies: 530 Family & Protective Services

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