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TO: Honorable Bryan Hughes, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3203 by Dutton (relating to the standard possession order and alternative possession times in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code to add to the list of alternative beginning and ending possession times a provision that for weekend periods of possession that are extended under Family Code Section 153.315(a) by a student holiday or teacher in-service day that falls on a Monday, the possession period ends at 8a.m. Tuesday. The bill would also add a provision regarding beginning and ending possession periods in the standard possession order for parents who reside 50 miles or less apart.

The bill would also require the Office of the Attorney General to create information materials that describe the possession schedule under the standard possession order and alternative schedules or elections available to conservators.

Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and Office of the Attorney General, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the bill could be accomplished utilizing existing resources. In addition, no significant fiscal impact to the state court system is anticipated with the implementation of the bill.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Admin, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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