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TO: Honorable Bryan Hughes, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB590 by Hughes (Relating to requiring a man determined by adjudication or acknowledgment to be a child's father to pay retroactive child support beginning on the date of the child's conception.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for SB590, As Introduced : a negative impact of (\$1,305,090) through the biennium ending August 31, 2025.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five- Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to <i>General Revenue Related Funds</i>
2024	(\$1,305,090)
2025	\$0
2026	\$0
2027	\$0
2028	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	Probable (Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1	Probable (Cost) from <i>Federal Funds</i> 555
2024	(\$1,305,090)	(\$2,533,410)
2025	\$0	\$0
2026	\$0	\$0
2027	\$0	\$0
2028	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Analysis

This bill would amend the Family Code to require a man whose paternity has been established to pay retroactive child support beginning on the earliest possible date of the child's conception, as defined by standard medical practice, and to reimburse the mother for certain medical expenses and purchases. The bill would establish that the retroactive support cannot accrue interest until the first anniversary of the court rendering an order.

Methodology

Based on information provided by the Office of the Attorney General (OAG), it is assumed that one-time programming costs of \$3,838,500 in fiscal year 2024 would be necessary for the TXCSES system to implement the provisions of the bill. These amounts are reflected in the table above.

Technology

One-time costs totaling \$1,305,090 in General Revenue and \$2,533,410 in matching Federal Funds would be necessary in fiscal year 2024 for programing changes to the TXCSES system.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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