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TO: Honorable Chris Harris, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

FROM: John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB819 by Harris (relating to family violence and protective orders.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to family violence and protective orders. The bill would permit a court to enforce a protective order issued by another court and allow a child to apply for a protective order based on a dating relationship. The bill would also allow a court to recess a hearing on a temporary ex parte order to contact the respondent but must conclude the hearing the same day, regardless of whether the respondent appears before the court. These changes would not have a significant fiscal impact on the courts.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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