

Chapter 1029

H.B. No. 1608

1 AN ACT

2 relating to creating a pilot program to provide summer internships
3 for foster youth.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 264, Family Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 264.1251 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 264.1251. SUMMER INTERNSHIP PILOT PROGRAM. (a) The
8 department shall establish a summer internship pilot program that
9 provides foster youth with the opportunity to develop marketable
10 job skills and obtain professional work experience through a summer
11 internship with a participating business, nonprofit organization,
12 or governmental entity.

13 (b) The department may collaborate with other state
14 agencies, as appropriate, to establish the pilot program. The
15 pilot program may be implemented in more than one department
16 region.

17 (c) The department may enter into an agreement with one or
18 more entities described by Subsection (a) to allow the entity to
19 award internships to youth who participate in the pilot program.
20 Internships provided under the pilot program may be paid or unpaid.

21 (d) Not later than April 1 of each year, the department
22 shall select foster youth or former foster youth who are 15 years of
23 age or older to participate in the pilot program. Each youth
24 participating in the pilot program shall enter into an agreement

1 with the organization awarding the internship and the department
2 relating to the terms of the youth's internship.

3 (e) The department shall complete an evaluation of the pilot
4 program not later than the second anniversary of the date the
5 program begins.

6 (f) The department shall submit a report on the evaluation
7 of the pilot program to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and
8 the speaker of the house of representatives. The report must
9 include:

10 (1) the number of youth who participated in the pilot
11 program;

12 (2) the location and type of internships provided
13 under the pilot program; and

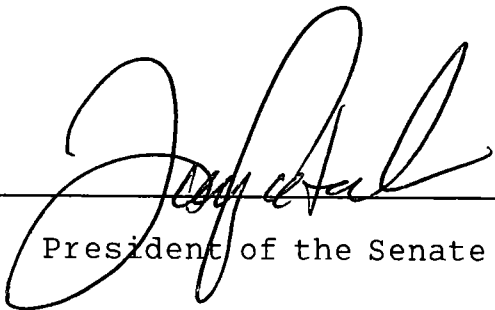
14 (3) details of the department's efforts to recruit
15 eligible youth to participate in the pilot program.

16 (g) The executive commissioner may adopt rules necessary to
17 implement this section.

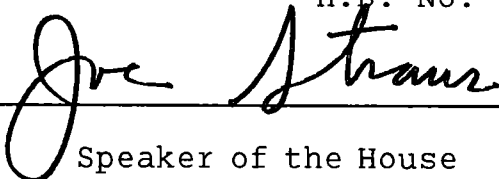
18 (h) This section expires September 1, 2021.

19 SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 2018, the Department of
20 Family and Protective Services shall establish the pilot program
21 required by Section 264.1251, Family Code, as added by this Act.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
25 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
26 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.



President of the Senate

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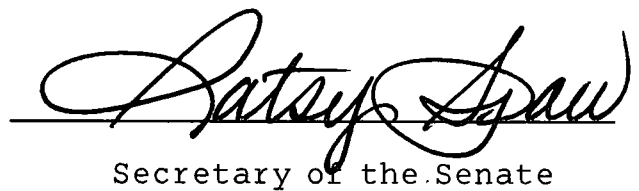
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1608 was passed by the House on May 4, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1608 on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.



Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1608 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.



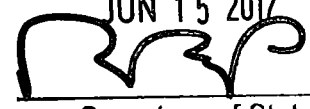
Secretary of the Senate

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FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 23, 2017

TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1608 by Minjarez (Relating to creating a pilot program to provide summer internships for foster youth.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to creating a pilot program to provide summer internships for foster youth. Based on information provided by the Department of Family and Protective Services and the Health and Human Services Commission, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of each house, otherwise this bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of

LBB Staff: UP, SD, KCA, EP, JLi, TBo, JGA

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FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 17, 2017

TO: Honorable Charles Schwertner, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1608 by Minjarez (Relating to creating a pilot program to provide summer internships for foster youth.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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May 9, 2017

TO: Honorable Charles Schwertner, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1608 by Minjarez (Relating to creating a pilot program to provide summer internships for foster children.), **As Engrossed**

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April 22, 2017

TO: Honorable Richard Peña Raymond, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1608 by Minjarez (Relating to creating a pilot program to provide summer internships for foster children.), **As Introduced**

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