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1 representation; and

2 (3) information on whether the court is complying with
3 Chapter 37, including the lists and the rotation system required by
4 that chapter.

5 (c) Each county auditor, or other individual designated by
6 the commissioners court of a county, shall prepare and send to the
7 council, in the form and manner prescribed in the plan, information
8 on the money spent by the county during the preceding state fiscal
9 year to provide court-ordered representation in suits affecting the
10 parent-child relationship under Part 1, Subchapter B, Chapter 107,
11 Family Code. The information must include:

12 (1) the total amount of money spent by the county to
13 provide court-ordered representation services; and

14 (2) of the money spent under Subdivision (1), the
15 amount of money spent:

16 (A) for appointments in each district court,
17 county court, statutory county court, and appellate court in the
18 county;

19 (B) for appointments of private attorneys for
20 respondents, including parents, children, and alleged fathers, who
21 are indigent;

22 (C) for appointments of public counsel for
23 respondents, including parents, children, and alleged fathers, who
24 are indigent; and

25 (D) for investigation, expert witness, or other
26 litigation expenses.

27 (d) Each local administrative district judge for a court

1 subject to the plan, or the person designated by the judge, and each
2 county auditor, or other individual designated by the commissioners
3 court of a county, shall provide to the council the information
4 required under the plan and this section.

5 (e) The council annually shall:

6 (1) compile in a report the information submitted to
7 the council under the plan and this section;

8 (2) submit the report compiled under Subdivision (1)
9 to the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of
10 representatives; and

11 (3) electronically publish the report compiled under
12 Subdivision (1).

13 SECTION 2. (a) As soon as practicable after the effective
14 date of this Act, the Texas Judicial Council shall develop the plan
15 required by Section 71.0355, Government Code, as added by this Act.

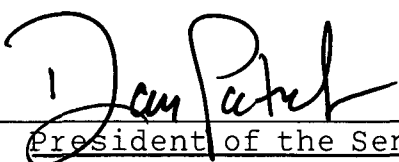
16 (b) Notwithstanding Section 71.0355, Government Code, as
17 added by this Act, a county or court in this state is not required to
18 comply with that section until September 1, 2020, or a later date
19 provided in the plan developed under that section.

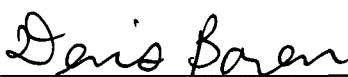
20 SECTION 3. The Texas Judicial Council is required to
21 implement a provision of this Act only if the legislature
22 appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the
23 legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that
24 purpose, the council may, but is not required to, implement a
25 provision of this Act using other appropriations available for that
26 purpose.

27 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

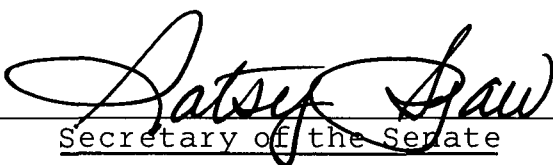
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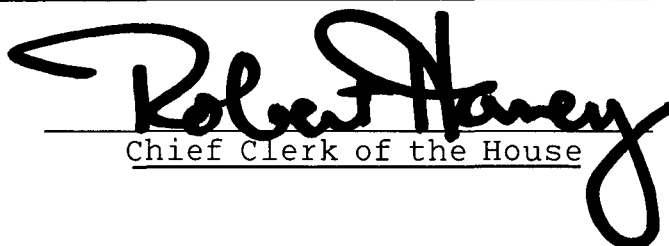

President of the Senate


Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 560 passed the Senate on April 30, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 24, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0. _____


Secretary of the Senate

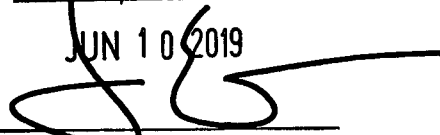
I hereby certify that S.B. No. 560 passed the House, with amendment, on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 0, two present not voting. _____


Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

6-9-2019
Date


Governor

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