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> Honorable Joe Ed Winfree Chairman of Committee No. 3 Judiciary and Uniform Laws Committee House of Representatives 45th Legislature Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Winfree:

Opinion No. 0-3930 Re: Constitutionality of H.B. 391

As requested in your latter of February 27, 1943, we have examined House Bill No. 391, pending before your Committee, which Bill proposes to establish coordinated county child welfare advisory councils in the various counties of this State for the purpose of assisting and advising local judicial, administrative, and educational authorities in preventing increase of juvenile delinquency and solving the child welfare problem in each county of the State.

Your latter suggests that we consider the constitutionality of this measure, as well as its legality, if it conflicts with present laws.

Our examination of the Bill discloses no constitutional objections thereto. Insofar as the legality of the Bill is concerned, and the matter of conflict of the provisions therewith with any existing laws, you are respectfully advised that any provisions of this measure which may conflict with existing laws will not effect the legality thereof. In other words, insofar as this measure may conflict with the existing laws, if any such conflict exists, House Bill No. 391, being the latest expression of the Legislative Will, will control and the existing laws, to the extent of the conflict, will be repealed.

Yours very truly

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

APPROVED MAR 1. 1943

Gerald C. Mann

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TRIAS By (signed)

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