BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

The federal government provides 66 percent funding match to the Attorney General's Child Support Division (Title IV-D agency) for child support services provided by the state of Texas. The state of Texas is supposed to provide a 33 percent match to counties but this match has never been funded. Section 232.202, Family Code, authorizes counties to bill the Title IV-D agency up to \$45 for the cost of service of process for child support. As proposed, S.B. 1165 increases the amount that counties can bill from \$45 to \$65.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 231.202, Family Code, to increase from \$45 to \$65 the fee for each item of process to each individual on whom service is required to be paid to a sheriff, constable, or clerk.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.