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Committee Assigned: Human Services

RESOLUTION

Provide for reimbursement of expenses for Guardianship Certification Board

A RESOLUTION TO: Provide for reimbursement of Guardianship Certification Board members' necessary expenses.

WHEREAS: Chapter 111 of the Government Code establishes the Guardianship Certification Board, charged with the executive function to implement a program for certifying private professional guardians and persons who provide guardianship services to wards of state, local county and regional guardianship programs;

WHEREAS: under Section 111.01 the Board is comprised of 15 members representing all geographical areas of the state, which must meet on a quarterly basis (111.01i);

WHEREAS: under Section 111.01g, the code provides that the Board members are not entitled to receive reimbursement for their travel expenses;

WHEREAS: it is difficult to attract and retain qualified persons from all regions of the state if the members are not able to recover the expenses they incur;

RESOLVED: That the 11th Texas Silver-Haired Legislature encourage and strongly recommend that the 80th Texas Legislature pass legislation to reimburse Guardianship Certification Board members for necessary expenses not to exceed the limits set by the General Appropriations Act for Board or Commission members.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of September, 2006, by the Human Services Committee.

Adalaide C. Balaban, Chair

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of September, 2006, by the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

Charlotte Parks, Speaker

ATTEST:

Carlos Higgins, Secretary