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Your Comments or Concerns:

Issue: The Department of Family Protective Services (DFPS) does not provide the over 200 Rural counties in Texas with Child Placement Services for adoption of the abused and battered children in its ward.

Background: DFPS' contracts with private Child Placement Agencies (CPA) for the purpose of placing its wards with DFPS approved Foster and Adoptive individuals and families. It does so for Urban counties only. DFPS does not currently contract with CPA services for Rural counties.

Your Proposed Solution:

CPA services can be provided to Rural counties by contracting with at least one CPA firm in each of DFPS's Regions. The contracted CPA's mission would be to provide the necessary full-time staff and services, devoted exclusively, to the Rural counties in each of the DFPS regions.

I recommend the CPA firm chosen should be the same for the entire state.
There are currently CPA's who do operate in all of the DFPS's regions.

My Comments Will Not Be Made Public: I agree