

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 553
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Juvenile Justice & Family Issues
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that the law could provide more clarity regarding summer weekend possession of a child under a standard possession order in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship. H.B. 553 seeks to provide this clarity by requiring the possessory conservator of the child to give the managing conservator written notice of the location at which the managing conservator is to pick up and return the child.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 553 amends the Family Code to require the possessory conservator of a child under a standard possession order for parents who reside 100 miles or less apart, after receiving notice from the managing conservator designating the summer weekend during which the managing conservator is to have possession of the child, to give the managing conservator, not later than the 15th day before the Friday that begins the designated weekend, written notice of the location at which the managing conservator is to pick up and return the child.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.