

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 1462
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Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

Currently, a custodial parent is not obligated to inform the other parent of a child of the custodial parent's marriage to or intention to marry a sex offender or a person charged with a sex offense. H.B. 1462 would require notification of certain persons of the marriage of the person's former spouse.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 1462 requires notification of certain persons of the marriage of the person's former spouse.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 153.076, Family Code, to require the court, if both parents are appointed conservators, to order that each parent has the duty to inform the other parent if the parent marries or intends to marry a person known as a sex offender under Chapter 62, or is currently charged with an offense which would require this registration. Requires the notice to be made as soon as practicable, but not later than the 10th day after the date the marriage occurs. Sets forth information required in the notice. Establishes that the person commits an offense if the person fails to provide notice in the required manner. Provides that an offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.
Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Section 153.076, Family Code, by adding a new Subsection (d), to establish that the person commits an offense if the person fails to provide notice in the required manner. Provides that an offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.