

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 4086 amends the Family Code to expand under what conditions a party may request a de novo hearing before the referring court of an associate judge's report or order to include certain temporary orders.

Currently, a party may request a de novo hearing by filing with the clerk of the referring court a written request not later than the third working day after the date the party receives notice of the substance of the associate judge's report as provided by Section 201.011, Family Code.

H.B. 4086 provides an option to include temporary orders.

H.B. 4086 amends current law relating to the right to a de novo hearing before the referring court regarding a temporary order rendered by an associate judge in certain family law proceedings.

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 201.015(a), Family Code, as follows:

(a) Authorizes a party to request a de novo hearing before the referring court by filing with the clerk of the referring court a written request not later than the third working day after the date the party receives notice of:

(1) the substance of the associate judge's report as provided by Section 201.011 (Report); or

(2) the rendering of the temporary order, if the request concerns a temporary order rendered by an associate judge under Section 201.007(a)(14)(C) (relating to the powers of associate judges).

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2015.