By: Sherman, Sr., Collier H.B. No. 1017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to an affirmative finding of family violence entered in

3 the trial of certain offenses.

- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Article 42.013, Code of Criminal Procedure, is 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 Art. 42.013. FINDING OF FAMILY VIOLENCE. In the trial of an
- 8 offense under any provision of the [Title 5,] Penal Code, if the
- 9 court determines that the offense involved family violence, as
- 10 defined by Section 71.004, Family Code, the court shall make an
- 11 affirmative finding of that fact and enter the affirmative finding
- 12 in the judgment of the case.
- SECTION 2. Article 42A.504(b), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 14 is amended to read as follows:
- 15 (b) If a judge grants community supervision to a defendant
- 16 convicted of an offense [under Title 5, Penal Code,] that the court
- 17 determines involves family violence, the judge shall require the
- 18 defendant to pay a fine of \$100 to a family violence center that:
- 19 (1) receives state or federal funds; and
- 20 (2) serves the county in which the court is located.
- 21 SECTION 3. Section 81.0015, Family Code, is amended to read
- 22 as follows:

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- Sec. 81.0015. PRESUMPTION. For purposes of this subtitle,
- 24 there is a presumption that family violence has occurred and is

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- 1 likely to occur in the future if:
- 2 (1) the respondent has been convicted of or placed on
- 3 deferred adjudication community supervision for any of the
- 4 following offenses against the child for whom the petition is
- 5 filed:
- 6 (A) an offense [under Title 5, Penal Code,] for
- 7 which the court has made an affirmative finding that the offense
- 8 involved family violence under Article 42.013, Code of Criminal
- 9 Procedure; or
- 10 (B) an offense under Title 6, Penal Code;
- 11 (2) the respondent's parental rights with respect to
- 12 the child have been terminated; and
- 13 (3) the respondent is seeking or attempting to seek
- 14 contact with the child.
- SECTION 4. Articles 42.013 and 42A.504(b), Code of Criminal
- 16 Procedure, as amended by this Act, apply only to an offense
- 17 committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense
- 18 committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the
- 19 law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former
- 20 law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this
- 21 section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this
- 22 Act if any element of the offense was committed before that date.
- 23 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.