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H.B. No. 2093

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the minimum duration of a protective order.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

4 SECTION 1. Section 85.025(a), Family Code, is amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (a) Except as otherwise provided by this section, an order
7 under this subtitle is effective:

8 (1) for a [the] period of not less than six months and
9 not more than two years stated in the order [~~, not to exceed two~~
10 ~~years~~]; or

11 (2) if a period is not stated in the order, until the
12 second anniversary of the date the order was issued.

13 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
14 to a protective order rendered on or after the effective date of
15 this Act. A protective order rendered before the effective date of
16 this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the order was
17 rendered, and the former law is continued in effect for that
18 purpose.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.