

1-1 By: Cook, Lujan (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 2671  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2023;  
1-3 May 11, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Jurisprudence; May 17, 2023, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 17, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-11	X			
1-12	X			

1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to the postponement of a hearing for a temporary order in  
1-16 certain family law cases referred to mediation.

1-17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-18 SECTION 1. Section 6.502, Family Code, is amended by adding  
1-19 Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

1-20 (a-1) If the court on its own motion refers to mediation a  
1-21 suit described by Subsection (a) in which a motion for a temporary  
1-22 order described by that subsection is pending, the court may not  
1-23 postpone the initial hearing on the pending motion to a date that is  
1-24 later than the 30th day after the date set for the hearing.

1-25 SECTION 2. Section 105.001, Family Code, is amended by  
1-26 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

1-27 (a-1) If the court on its own motion refers to mediation a  
1-28 suit in which an initial hearing regarding the rendition of a  
1-29 temporary order described by Subsection (a) has not yet occurred,  
1-30 the court may not postpone the hearing to a date that is later than  
1-31 the 30th day after the date set for the hearing.

1-32 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies to a  
1-33 suit that is pending in a trial court on the effective date of this  
1-34 Act or that is filed on or after that date.

1-35 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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