By: Zaffirini S.B. No. 48

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to paid leave by certain state employees for the birth or
3	adoption of a child.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Section 661.9125(a), Government Code, is amended
6	to read as follows:
7	(a) This section applies only to a state employee who:
8	(1) is a member of the Employees Retirement System of
9	Texas or is employed by a board, commission, department, or other
10	agency in the executive branch of state government created by the
11	constitution or a statute of this state, <u>including</u> [except for] an
12	institution of higher education as defined by Section 61.003,
13	Education Code; and
14	(2) takes leave under Section 661.912 for the:
15	(A) birth of a child;
16	(B) birth of a child by the employee's spouse;
17	(C) birth of a child by a gestational surrogate;
18	or
19	(D) adoption of a child.
20	SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.