

Amend HB 913 as follows:

(1) Add the following appropriately numbered section to the bill and renumber the sections of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_. Section 153.134(b), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) In rendering an order appointing joint managing conservators, the court shall:

(1) designate the conservator who has the exclusive right to determine the primary residence of the child and:

(A) establish, until modified by further order, a geographic area [~~consisting of the county in which the child is to reside and any contiguous county thereto~~] within which the conservator shall maintain the child's primary residence; or

(B) specify that the conservator may determine the child's primary residence without regard to geographic location;

(2) specify the rights and duties of each parent regarding the child's physical care, support, and education;

(3) include provisions to minimize disruption of the child's education, daily routine, and association with friends;

(4) allocate between the parents, independently, jointly, or exclusively, all of the remaining rights and duties of a parent as provided by Chapter 151; and

(5) if feasible, recommend that the parties use an alternative dispute resolution method before requesting enforcement or modification of the terms and conditions of the joint conservatorship through litigation, except in an emergency.

(2) On page 20, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

(f) The change in law made by this Act to Section 153.134(b), Family Code, applies only to a court order appointing joint managing conservators rendered on or after the effective date of this Act. A court order appointing joint managing conservators rendered before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the order was rendered, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

(3) On page 20, line 4, strike "(f)" and substitute "(g)".