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H.B. No. 2216

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the redesignation of certain district courts in Harris County as family district courts.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 24, Government Code, is amended by adding Sections 24.640, 24.641, 24.642, 24.643, and 24.644 to read as follows:

Sec. 24.640. 440TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (HARRIS COUNTY). The 440th Judicial District is composed of Harris County.

Sec. 24.641. 441ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT (HARRIS COUNTY). The 441st Judicial District is composed of Harris County.

Sec. 24.642. 442ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT (HARRIS COUNTY). The 442nd Judicial District is composed of Harris County.

Sec. 24.643. 443RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT (HARRIS COUNTY). The 443rd Judicial District is composed of Harris County.

SECTION 2. Sections 24.182, 24.256, 24.368, and 24.480, Government Code, are repealed.

SECTION 3. (a) The 80th, 157th, 189th, and 334th district courts are redesignated as the 440th, 441st, 442nd, and 443rd district courts, respectively.

(b) The judge of the:

(1) 80th District Court is the judge of the 440th District Court;

(2) 157th District Court is the judge of the 441st

1 District Court;

2 (3) 189th District Court is the judge of the 442nd
3 District Court; and

4 (4) 334th District Court is the judge of the 443rd
5 District Court.

6 (c) This Act does not affect the term of office of a judge of
7 a court redesignated by this Act. The judge of a court redesignated
8 by this Act, unless otherwise removed as provided by law, continues
9 to serve for the term for which the judge was elected.

10 SECTION 4. All writs and processes returnable to a court
11 redesignated by this Act are returnable and subject to the
12 jurisdiction of the redesignated court and may be transferred to
13 another court on order of the judge of the redesignated court or the
14 local administrative district judge as necessary.

15 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.