H.B. No. 2776

	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1	AN ACT
2	relating to the duration of a lien for the enforcement of child
3	support arrearages.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Section 157.318(a), Family Code, is amended to
6	read as follows:
7	(a) A lien is effective until the earlier of the date:
8	(1) all current support and child support arrearages,
9	including interest and any costs and reasonable attorney's fees,
10	have been paid <u>;</u>
11	(2) [or] the lien is otherwise released as provided by
12	this subchapter <u>; or</u>
13	(3) the 20th anniversary of the date the notice of lien
14	<u>is recorded</u> .
15	SECTION 2. (a) This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.
16	(b) The change in law made by this Act applies to a lien for
17	child support arrearages that is recorded by a county clerk before,
18	on, or after the effective date of this Act.

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