

Amend CSSB 6, in Article 1 of the bill, by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION and renumbering the SECTIONS in that article accordingly:

SECTION \_\_. (a) Sections 262.112(a) and (b), Family Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of Family and Protective [~~and Regulatory~~] Services and the parent, conservator, or legal guardian are [~~is~~] entitled to an expedited hearing under this chapter in any proceeding in which a hearing is required if the department determines that a child should be removed from the child's home because of an immediate danger to the physical health or safety of the child.

(b) In any proceeding in which an expedited hearing is held under Subsection (a), the department, parent, conservator, guardian, or other party to the proceeding is entitled to an expedited appeal on a ruling by a court that the child may or may not be removed from the child's home.

(b) Section 262.112, Family Code, as amended by this article, applies only to an investigation of an allegation of child abuse or neglect initiated on or after the effective date of this Act. An investigation of an allegation of child abuse or neglect initiated before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the investigation was initiated, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.