

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

SECTION ____ . Subchapter B, Chapter 264, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 264.1064 to read as follows:

Sec. 264.1064. FOSTER PARENT DISQUALIFICATION. (a) The department shall require an applicant who is applying to serve as a foster parent or a foster parent whose performance is being evaluated by the department to state whether the applicant or foster parent is homosexual or bisexual.

(b) If the applicant or foster parent states that the applicant or foster parent is homosexual or bisexual, the department may not:

- (1) allow the applicant to serve as a foster parent;
- (2) place a child with the foster parent; or
- (3) allow a child to remain in foster care with the foster parent.

(c) Notwithstanding an applicant's or foster parent's statement that the applicant or foster parent is not homosexual or bisexual, if the department determines after a reasonable investigation that an applicant or a foster parent is homosexual or bisexual, the department may not:

- (1) allow the applicant to serve as a foster parent;
- (2) place a child with the foster parent; or
- (3) allow a child to remain in foster care with the foster parent.