BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, notice of hearing on a motion for enforcement of an existing order providing for child support or possession of or access to a child must be given to the respondent not later than the 10th day before the date of the hearing. Often that deadline does not allow adequate time for parties to make arrangements for work and other obligations prior to the hearing.

As proposed, S.B. 1654 requires the notice of hearing on a motion for enforcement to be delivered to the respondent not later than the 10th business day before the date of the hearing.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 157.062, Family Code, as follows:

Sec. 157.062. NOTICE OF HEARING. (a) Makes no changes to subsection.

(b) Makes no changes to subsection.

(c) Requires notice of hearing on a motion for enforcement of an existing order providing for child support or possession of or access to a child to be given to the respondent by personal service of a copy of the motion and notice not later than the 10th business day, rather than the 10th day, before the date of the hearing.

(d) Makes no changes to subsection.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2005.