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H.B. No. 1604

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to the period in which a birth certificate must be filed or
3 a birth reported.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 192.003, Health and Safety Code, is
6 amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (e) to
7 read as follows:

8 (d) Except as provided by Subsection (e), a [A] person
9 required to file a birth certificate or report a birth shall file
10 the certificate or make the report not later than the fifth day
11 after the date of the birth.

12 (e) If a parent does not name the child before the fifth day
13 after the date of the birth due to the parent's religious beliefs, a
14 person required to file the birth certificate or report the birth
15 may file the certificate or make the report not later than the fifth
16 day after the date the child is named.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.