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H.B. No. 670

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the enforcement of unpaid child support.

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

SECTION 1. Section 157.005(b), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The court retains jurisdiction to confirm the total amount of child support arrearages and render judgment for past-due child support until the date all current child support and medical support and child support arrearages, including interest and any applicable fees and costs, have been paid ~~[if a motion for enforcement requesting a money judgment is filed not later than the 10th anniversary after the date:~~

~~[(1) the child becomes an adult; or~~

~~[(2) on which the child support obligation terminates under the child support order or by operation of law].~~

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to child support arrearages regardless of the date:

(1) the child support became due; or

(2) the child support obligation terminated.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2007.