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H.B. No. 778

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to child support orders for more than one child and the
3 automatic modification of the total amount required as the duty to
4 support each child terminates.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 154.127, Family Code, is amended to read
7 as follows:

8 Sec. 154.127. PARTIAL TERMINATION OF SUPPORT
9 OBLIGATION. (a) A child support order for more than one child shall
10 provide that, on the termination of support for a child, the level
11 of support for the remaining child or children is in accordance with
12 the child support guidelines.

13 (b) A child support order is in compliance with the
14 requirement imposed by Subsection (a) if the order contains a
15 provision that specifies:

16 (1) the events, including a child reaching the age of
17 18 years or otherwise having the disabilities of minority removed,
18 that have the effect of terminating the obligor's obligation to pay
19 child support for that child; and

20 (2) the reduced total amount that the obligor is
21 required to pay each month after the occurrence of an event
22 described by Subdivision (1).

23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.