

1-1 By: Gonzalez Toureilles (Senate Sponsor - Watson) H.B. No. 1995  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 7, 2007;  
1-3 May 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Jurisprudence; May 17, 2007, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 17, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the time in which to appeal a report by an associate  
1-9 judge in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 201.015(a), Family Code, is amended to  
1-12 read as follows:

1-13 (a) A party may appeal an associate judge's report by filing  
1-14 notice of appeal not later than the seventh working [~~third~~] day  
1-15 after the date the party receives notice of the substance of the  
1-16 associate judge's report as provided by Section 201.011.

1-17 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
1-18 to a suit affecting the parent-child relationship filed on or after  
1-19 the effective date of this Act. A suit affecting the parent-child  
1-20 relationship filed before that date is governed by the law in  
1-21 effect on the date the suit was filed, and the former law is  
1-22 continued in effect for that purpose.

1-23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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