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H.B. No. 2379

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the service of notice of license suspension for failure to pay child support.

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Chantal Thomas Act."

SECTION 2. Section 232.006, Family Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b) Except as provided by Subsection (b-1), notice ~~[Notice]~~ under this section may be served as in civil cases generally.

(b-1) If the individual has been ordered under Chapter 105 to provide the court and the state case registry with the individual's current mailing address, notice under this section must be served by mailing a copy of the petition, by first-class mail, to the last mailing address of the individual on file with the court and the state case registry.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a petition for suspension of a license for failure to pay child support filed on or after the effective date of this Act. A petition filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the petition was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.