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H.B. No. 3887

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to standing for certain foster parents to file suit to adopt a child.

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

SECTION 1. Section 102.003(a)(12), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

(12) a person who is the foster parent of a child placed by the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services in the person's home for at least six [~~12~~] months ending not more than 90 days preceding the date of the filing of the petition; or

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section 102.003, Family Code, apply only to a suit affecting the parent-child relationship filed on or after the effective date of this Act. A suit filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the suit was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.