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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the trafficking of persons.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
4	ARTICLE 1. PROSECUTION AND PUNISHMENT OF TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS
5	SECTION 1.01. Section 20A.01, Penal Code, is amended to
6	read as follows:
7	Sec. 20A.01. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:
8	(a) [(1)] "Forced labor or services" means labor or
9	services, excluding those defined in Subsection (c) and Subsection
10	(d), [including conduct that constitutes an offense under Section
11	43.02_{r}] that are performed or provided by another person and
12	obtained through an actor's use of force, fraud, or coercion [÷
13	[(A) causing or threatening to cause bodily
14	injury to the person or another person or otherwise causing the
15	person performing or providing labor or services to believe that
16	the person or another person will suffer bodily injury;
17	[(B) restraining or threatening to restrain the
18	person or another person in a manner described by Section 20.01(1)
19	or causing the person performing or providing labor or services to
20	believe that the person or another person will be restrained;
21	[(C) knowingly destroying, concealing, removing,
22	confiscating, or withholding from the person or another person, or
23	threatening to destroy, conceal, remove, confiscate, or withhold
24	from the person or another person, the person's actual or

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purported:
                          [(i) government records;
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                           [(ii) identifying information; or
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                           [(iii) personal property;
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                     [(D) threatening the person with abuse of the law
   or the legal process in relation to the person or another person;
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                     [(E) threatening to report the person or another
   person to immigration officials or other law enforcement officials
   or otherwise blackmailing or extorting the person or another
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   <del>person;</del>
                     [(F) exerting financial control over the person
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   or another person by placing the person or another person under the
   actor's control as security for a debt to the extent that:
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                           (i) the value of the services provided by
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   the person or another person as reasonably assessed is not applied
   toward the liquidation of the debt;
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                          [(ii) the duration of the services provided
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   by the person or another person is not limited and the nature of the
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   services provided by the person or another person is not defined; or
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                           [(iii) the principal amount of the debt
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   does not reasonably reflect the value of the items or services for
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   which the debt was incurred; or
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                     [(G) using any scheme, plan, or pattern intended
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    to cause the person to believe that the person or another person
   will be subjected to serious harm or restraint if the person does
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   not perform or provide the labor or services].
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          (b) [\frac{(2)}{2}] "Traffic" means to transport, entice, recruit,
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   harbor, provide, or otherwise obtain another person by any means.
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              "Sexual services" means conduct that is obtained
   through an actor's use of force, fraud, or coercion and that
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   constitutes an offense under the following sections of the Penal
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   Code:
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              (1) Section 43.02 (Prostitution);
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               (2) Section 43.03 (Promotion of Prostitution);
               (3) Section 43.04 (Aggravated Promotion
8
   Prostitution); or
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               (4) Section 43.05 (Compelling Prostitution).
         (d) "Sexual services of a child" means conduct that
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   constitutes an offense under the following sections of the Penal
   Code regardless of whether the actor knows the age of the child at
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   the time the actor commits the offense and regardless of whether the
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   actor uses force, fraud, or coercion in the commission of the
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   offense:
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              (1) Section 21.02 (Continuous Sexual Abuse of Young
   Child or Children);
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              (2)
                   Section 21.11 (Indecency with a Child);
              (3)
                   Section 22.011 (Sexual Assault);
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              (4) Section 22.021 (Aggravated Sexual Assault);
                   Section 43.02 (Prostitution);
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               (5)
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               (6)
                   Section 43.03 (Promotion of Prostitution);
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               (7)
                   Section 43.04 (Aggravated Promotion
                                                                 of
   Prostitution);
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              (8) Section 43.05 (Compelling Prostitution);
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               (9) Section 43.25 (Sexual Performance by a Child);
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- 1 (10) Section 43.251 (Employment Harmful to Children);
- 2 or
- 3 (11) Section 43.26 (Possession or Promotion of Child
- 4 Pornography).
- 5 (e) "Child" means a person younger than 18 years of age.
- 6 SECTION 1.02. Section 20A.02, Penal Code, is amended to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 20A.02. TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS. (a) A person commits
- 9 an offense if the person knowingly:
- 10 (1) traffics another person with the intent [or
- 11 knowledge] that the trafficked person [will] engage in forced labor
- 12 or services; or
- 13 (2) benefits from participating in a venture that
- 14 involves an activity described by Subdivision (1), including by
- 15 receiving labor or services the person knows are forced labor or
- 16 services.
- 17 (b) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly:
- 18 (1) traffics another person with the intent that the
- 19 trafficked person engage in sexual services; or
- 20 (2) benefits from participating in a venture that
- 21 involves an activity described by Subdivision (1), including by
- 22 <u>receiving services the person knows are sexual services.</u>
- 23 (c) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly:
- 24 (1) traffics a child with the intent that the
- 25 trafficked child engage in forced labor or services; or
- 26 (2) benefits from participating in a venture that
- 27 involves an activity described by Subdivision (1), including by

- 1 receiving labor or services the person knows are forced labor or
- 2 <u>services.</u>
- 3 (d) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly:
- 4 (1) traffics a child with the intent that the
- 5 trafficked child engage in sexual services; or
- 6 (2) benefits from participating in a venture that
- 7 involves an activity described by Subdivision (1), including by
- 8 receiving services the person knows are sexual services of a child.
- 9 (e) [(b)] Except as otherwise provided by this subsection,
- 10 an offense under this section is a felony of the second degree. An
- 11 offense under this section is a felony of the first degree if:
- 12 (1) the applicable conduct constitutes an offense
- 13 under Subsection (c) or Subsection (d) [Section 43.05 or 43.25 and
- 14 the person who is trafficked is a child younger than 18 years of age
- 15 at the time of the offense, regardless of whether the actor knows
- 16 the age of the child at the time the actor commits the offense]; or
- 17 (2) the commission of the offense results in the death
- 18 of the person who is trafficked.
- (f) [(c)] If conduct constituting an offense under this
- 20 section also constitutes an offense under another section of this
- 21 code, the actor may be prosecuted under either section or under both
- 22 sections.
- 23 SECTION 1.03. Article 12.01, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 24 amended to read as follows:
- 25 Art. 12.01. FELONIES. Except as provided in Article 12.03,
- 26 felony indictments may be presented within these limits, and not
- 27 afterward:

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1
               (1) no limitation:
                    (A)
                        murder and manslaughter;
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 3
                         sexual assault under Section 22.011(a)(2),
   Penal Code,
                  or aggravated
                                   sexual
                                            assault
 4
                                                      under
                                                             Section
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   22.021(a)(1)(B), Penal Code;
                    (C) sexual assault, if during the investigation
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   of the offense biological matter is collected and subjected to
   forensic DNA testing and the testing results show that the matter
   does not match the victim or any other person whose identity is
   readily ascertained;
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                         continuous sexual abuse of young child or
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                    (D)
   children under Section 21.02, Penal Code;
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                         indecency with a child under Section 21.11,
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                    (E)
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   Penal Code; [or]
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                    (F)
                         an offense involving leaving the scene of an
   accident under Section 550.021, Transportation Code, if the
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   accident resulted in the death of a person;
                    (G) compelling prostitution under
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   43.05(a)(2); or
                    (H) trafficking of persons under
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   20A.02(d), Penal Code;
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               (2) ten years from the date of the commission of the
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by an executor, administrator, guardian or trustee, with intent to

defraud any creditor, heir, legatee, ward, distributee,

beneficiary or settlor of a trust interested in such estate;

theft of any estate, real, personal or mixed,

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offense:

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theft by a public servant of government
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                     (B)
   property over which he exercises control in his official capacity;
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                          forgery or the uttering, using or passing of
    forged instruments;
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                     (D)
                          injury to an elderly or disabled individual
    punishable as a felony of the first degree under Section 22.04,
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    Penal Code;
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                     (E)
                          sexual
                                  assault,
                                            except as provided
                                                                    by
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    Subdivision (1); [or]
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                     (F)
                          arson;
                     (G) trafficking of persons under Sections
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    20A.02(a) and (b), Penal Code; or
                     (H) compelling prostitution,
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    43.05(a)(1), Penal Code;
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               (3)
                    seven years from the date of the commission of the
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    offense:
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                     (A)
                         misapplication of fiduciary property
    property of a financial institution;
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                          securing execution of document by deception;
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                     (B)
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                          a felony violation under Chapter 162, Tax
                     (C)
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   Code;
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                     (D)
                          false statement to obtain property or credit
    under Section 32.32, Penal Code;
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                     (E)
                          money laundering;
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                     (F)
                          credit card or debit card abuse under Section
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    32.31, Penal Code; or
                          fraudulent use or possession of identifying
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                     (G)
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1 information under Section 32.51, Penal Code;
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- 2 (4) five years from the date of the commission of the
- 3 offense:
- 4 (A) theft or robbery;
- 5 (B) except as provided by Subdivision (5),
- 6 kidnapping or burglary;
- 7 (C) injury to an elderly or disabled individual
- 8 that is not punishable as a felony of the first degree under Section
- 9 22.04, Penal Code;
- 10 (D) abandoning or endangering a child; or
- 11 (E) insurance fraud;
- 12 (5) if the investigation of the offense shows that the
- 13 victim is younger than 17 years of age at the time the offense is
- 14 committed, 20 years from the 18th birthday of the victim of one of
- 15 the following offenses:
- 16 (A) sexual performance by a child under Section
- 17 43.25, Penal Code;
- 18 (B) aggravated kidnapping under Section
- 19 20.04(a)(4), Penal Code, if the defendant committed the offense
- 20 with the intent to violate or abuse the victim sexually; or
- 21 (C) burglary under Section 30.02, Penal Code, if
- 22 the offense is punishable under Subsection (d) of that section and
- 23 the defendant committed the offense with the intent to commit an
- 24 offense described by Subdivision (1)(B) or (D) of this article or
- 25 Paragraph (B) of this subdivision;
- 26 (6) ten years from the 18th birthday of the victim of
- 27 the offense:

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                     (A) injury to a child under Section 22.04, Penal
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   Code; or
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                     (B) trafficking of persons under Section
    20A.02(c), Penal Code; or
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               (7) three years from the date of the commission of the
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    offense: all other felonies.
          SECTION 1.04. Article 17.03(b), Code of Criminal Procedure,
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    is amended to read as follows:
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              Only the court before whom the case is pending may
    release on personal bond a defendant who:
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                     is charged with an offense under the following
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    sections of the Penal Code:
12
                          Section 19.03 (Capital Murder);
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                     (A)
14
                          Section 20.04 (Aggravated Kidnapping);
15
                     (C)
                          Section 22.021 (Aggravated Sexual Assault);
16
                     (D)
                          [Section 22.03 (Deadly Assault on Law
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    Enforcement or Corrections Officer, Member or Employee of Board of
    Pardons and Paroles, or Court Participant);
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                     [(E)] Section 22.04 (Injury to a Child, Elderly
    Individual, or Disabled Individual);
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21
                     (E) [(F)] Section 29.03 (Aggravated Robbery);
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                     (F) [<del>(C)</del>] Section 30.02 (Burglary);
23
                     (G) [<del>(H)</del>]
                                Section 71.02 (Engaging in Organized
24
    Criminal Activity); [or]
25
                     (H) [<del>(I)</del>] Section 21.02 (Continuous Sexual Abuse
   of Young Child or Children);
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27
                     (I) Section 43.05(a)(2) (Compelling
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1 Prostitution); or

- 2 (J) Section 20A.02(d) (Trafficking of Persons);
- 3 (2) is charged with a felony under Chapter 481, Health
- 4 and Safety Code, or Section 485.033, Health and Safety Code,
- 5 punishable by imprisonment for a minimum term or by a maximum fine
- 6 that is more than a minimum term or maximum fine for a first degree
- 7 felony; or
- 8 (3) does not submit to testing for the presence of a
- 9 controlled substance in the defendant's body as requested by the
- 10 court or magistrate under Subsection (c) of this article or submits
- 11 to testing and the test shows evidence of the presence of a
- 12 controlled substance in the defendant's body.
- 13 SECTION 1.05. Article 18.021(a), Code of Criminal
- 14 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 15 (a) A search warrant may be issued to search for and
- 16 photograph a child who is alleged to be the victim of the offenses
- 17 of injury to a child as prohibited by Section 22.04, Penal Code;
- 18 sexual assault of a child as prohibited by Section 22.011(a), Penal
- 19 Code; aggravated sexual assault of a child as prohibited by Section
- 20 22.021, Penal Code; [or] continuous sexual abuse of young child or
- 21 children as prohibited by Section 21.02, Penal Code; compelling
- 22 prostitution as prohibited by Section 43.05(a)(2), Penal Code; or
- 23 trafficking of persons as prohibited by Section 20A.02(d), Penal
- 24 <u>Code</u>.
- SECTION 1.06. Section 3g(a), Article 42.12, Code of
- 26 Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 27 (a) The provisions of Section 3 of this article do not

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   apply:
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               (1) to a defendant adjudged guilty of an offense
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    under:
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                     (A)
                          Section 19.02, Penal Code (Murder);
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                     (B)
                          Section 19.03, Penal Code (Capital murder);
 6
                     (C)
                          Section 21.11(a)(1), Penal Code (Indecency
 7
   with a child);
8
                     (D)
                          Section
                                   20.04,
                                            Penal
                                                    Code
                                                           (Aggravated
   kidnapping);
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10
                     (E)
                          Section
                                   22.021,
                                             Penal
                                                    Code
                                                           (Aggravated
11
   sexual assault);
12
                     (F)
                          Section
                                   29.03,
                                            Penal
                                                    Code
                                                           (Aggravated
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    robbery);
                          Chapter 481, Health and Safety Code, for
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                     (G)
   which punishment is increased under:
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                          (i) Section 481.140, Health and
                                                                Safety
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   Code; or
                          (ii) Section 481.134(c), (d), (e), or (f),
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    Health and Safety Code, if it is shown that the defendant has been
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   previously convicted of an offense for which punishment was
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    increased under any of those subsections;
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                          Section 22.011, Penal Code (Sexual assault);
                          Section 22.04(a)(1), Penal Code (Injury to a
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    child, elderly individual, or disabled individual), if the offense
    is punishable as a felony of the first degree and the victim of the
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    offense is a child;
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                                    43.25,
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                     (J)
                          Section
                                              Penal
                                                       Code
                                                               (Sexual
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- 1 performance by a child); [ex]
- 2 (K) Section 15.03, Penal Code, if the offense is
- 3 punishable as a felony of the first degree;
- 4 (L) Section 43.05, Penal Code (Compelling
- 5 prostitution); or
- 6 (M) Chapter 20A, Penal Code (Trafficking of
- 7 persons); or
- 8 (2) to a defendant when it is shown that a deadly
- 9 weapon as defined in Section 1.07, Penal Code, was used or exhibited
- 10 during the commission of a felony offense or during immediate
- 11 flight therefrom, and that the defendant used or exhibited the
- 12 deadly weapon or was a party to the offense and knew that a deadly
- 13 weapon would be used or exhibited. On an affirmative finding under
- 14 this subdivision, the trial court shall enter the finding in the
- 15 judgment of the court. On an affirmative finding that the deadly
- 16 weapon was a firearm, the court shall enter that finding in its
- 17 judgment.
- 18 SECTION 1.07. Section 23.101(a), Government Code, is
- 19 amended to read as follows:
- 20 (a) The trial courts of this state shall regularly and
- 21 frequently set hearings and trials of pending matters, giving
- 22 preference to hearings and trials of the following:
- 23 (1) temporary injunctions;
- 24 (2) criminal actions, with the following actions given
- 25 preference over other criminal actions:
- 26 (A) criminal actions against defendants who are
- 27 detained in jail pending trial;

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criminal actions involving a charge that a
 1
                     (B)
    person committed an act of family violence, as defined by Section
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    71.004, Family Code;
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                          an offense under:
                               Section 21.02 or 21.11, Penal Code;
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                          (i)
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                          (ii) Chapter 22, Penal Code, if the victim
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    of the alleged offense is younger than 17 years of age;
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                          (iii) Section 25.02, Penal Code, if the
    victim of the alleged offense is younger than 17 years of age;
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                                Section 25.06, Penal Code; [or]
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                          (iv)
                          (v) Section 43.25, Penal Code;
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                          (vi) Section 43.05(a)(2), Penal Code; or
                          (vii) Section 20A.02(d), Penal Code; and
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                          an offense described by Article 62.001(6)(C)
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    or (D), Code of Criminal Procedure;
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                    election contests and suits under the Election
               (3)
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    Code;
                    orders for the protection of the family under
               (4)
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    Subtitle B, Title 4, Family Code;
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                    appeals of final rulings and decisions of the
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    division of workers' compensation of the Texas Department of
    Insurance regarding workers' compensation claims and claims under
22
    the Federal Employers' Liability Act and the Jones Act;
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                    appeals of final orders of the commissioner of the
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    General Land Office under Section 51.3021, Natural Resources Code;
               (7) actions in which the claimant has been diagnosed
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with malignant mesothelioma, other malignant asbestos-related

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   cancer, malignant silica-related cancer, or acute silicosis; and
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                     appeals brought under Section 42.01 or 42.015, Tax
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   Code, of orders of appraisal review boards of appraisal districts
   established for counties with a population of less than 175,000.
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          SECTION 1.08. Section 411.1471(a), Government Code,
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    amended to read as follows:
               This section applies to a defendant who is:
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          (a)
                     indicted or waives indictment for
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   prohibited or punishable under any of the following Penal Code
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   sections:
                     (A)
                          Section 20.04(a)(4);
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                     (B)
                          Section 21.11;
                     (C)
                          Section 22.011;
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                     (D)
                         Section 22.021;
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                     (E)
                         Section 25.02;
16
                     (F)
                         Section 30.02(d);
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                     (G)
                         Section 43.05;
                     (H)
                         Section 43.25;
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                         Section 43.26; [<del>or</del>]
19
                     (I)
                     (J)
                         Section 21.02;
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                     (K) Section 43.05(a)(2); or
                     (L) Section 20A.02(d);
2.2
                     arrested for a felony described by Subdivision (1)
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                (2)
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    after having been previously convicted of or placed on deferred
   adjudication for an offense described by Subdivision (1) or an
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   offense punishable under Section 30.02(c)(2), Penal Code; or
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(3) convicted of an offense under Section 21.07 or

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   21.08, Penal Code.
          SECTION 1.09. Section 499.027(b), Government Code,
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                                                                    is
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    amended to read as follows:
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          (b) An inmate is not eligible under this subchapter to be
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   considered for release to intensive supervision parole if:
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               (1) the inmate
                                   is awaiting transfer to
                                                                   the
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   institutional division, or serving a sentence, for an offense for
   which the judgment contains an affirmative finding under Section
   3g(a)(2), Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure;
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               (2) the
                          inmate
                                   is
                                        awaiting transfer
                                                            to
                                                                   the
   institutional division, or serving a sentence, for an offense
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   listed in one of the following sections of the Penal Code:
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                         Section 19.02 (murder);
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                     (A)
14
                     (B)
                         Section 19.03 (capital murder);
15
                     (C)
                         Section 19.04 (manslaughter);
                     (D)
                         Section 20.03 (kidnapping);
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                     (E)
                         Section 20.04 (aggravated kidnapping);
                          Section 21.11 (indecency with a child);
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                     (F)
                         Section 22.011 (sexual assault);
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                     (G)
                         Section 22.02 (aggravated assault);
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                     (H)
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                         Section 22.021 (aggravated sexual assault);
                     (I)
                          Section 22.04 (injury to a child, [or an]
22
                     (J)
    elderly individual, or disabled individual);
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24
                     (K)
                          Section 25.02 (prohibited sexual conduct);
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                         Section 25.08 (sale or purchase of a child);
                     (L)
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                     (M)
                         Section 28.02 (arson);
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                     (N)
                          Section 29.02 (robbery);
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H.B. No. 1122 (O) Section 29.03 (aggravated robbery);
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- 2 (P) Section 30.02 (burglary), if the offense is
- 3 punished as a first-degree felony under that section;
- 4 (Q) Section 43.04 (aggravated promotion of
- 5 prostitution);
- 6 (R) Section 43.05 (compelling prostitution);
- 7 (S) Section 43.24 (sale, distribution, or
- 8 display of harmful material to minor);
- 9 (T) Section 43.25 (sexual performance by a
- 10 child);

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- 11 (U) Section 46.10 (deadly weapon in penal
- 12 institution);
- 13 (V) Section 15.01 (criminal attempt), if the
- 14 offense attempted is listed in this subsection;
- 15 (W) Section 15.02 (criminal conspiracy), if the
- 16 offense that is the subject of the conspiracy is listed in this
- 17 subsection;
- 18 (X) Section 15.03 (criminal solicitation), if
- 19 the offense solicited is listed in this subsection; [or]
- 20 (Y) Section 21.02 (continuous sexual abuse of
- 21 young child or children); $\underline{\text{or}}$
- 22 (Z) Chapter 20A (trafficking of persons); or
- 23 (3) the inmate is awaiting transfer to the
- 24 institutional division, or serving a sentence, for an offense under
- 25 Chapter 481, Health and Safety Code, punishable by a minimum term of
- 26 imprisonment or a maximum fine that is greater than the minimum term
- 27 of imprisonment or the maximum fine for a first degree felony.

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- 1 SECTION 1.10. Section 508.149(a), Government Code, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 (a) An inmate may not be released to mandatory supervision
- 4 if the inmate is serving a sentence for or has been previously
- 5 convicted of:
- 6 (1) an offense for which the judgment contains an
- 7 affirmative finding under Section 3g(a)(2), Article 42.12, Code of
- 8 Criminal Procedure;
- 9 (2) a first degree felony or a second degree felony
- 10 under Section 19.02, Penal Code;
- 11 (3) a capital felony under Section 19.03, Penal Code;
- 12 (4) a first degree felony or a second degree felony
- 13 under Section 20.04, Penal Code;
- 14 (5) an offense under Section 21.11, Penal Code;
- 15 (6) a felony under Section 22.011, Penal Code;
- 16 (7) a first degree felony or a second degree felony
- 17 under Section 22.02, Penal Code;
- 18 (8) a first degree felony under Section 22.021, Penal
- 19 Code;
- 20 (9) a first degree felony under Section 22.04, Penal
- 21 Code;
- 22 (10) a first degree felony under Section 28.02, Penal
- 23 Code;
- 24 (11) a second degree felony under Section 29.02, Penal
- 25 Code;
- 26 (12) a first degree felony under Section 29.03, Penal
- 27 Code;

1 (13) a first degree felony under Section 30.02, Penal 2 Code; 3 (14)a felony for which the punishment is increased under Section 481.134 or Section 481.140, Health and Safety Code; 4 5 (15)an offense under Section 43.25, Penal Code; (16)an offense under Section 21.02, Penal Code; [or] 6 7 a first degree felony under Section 15.03, Penal (17)8 Code; 9 (18) an offense under Section 43.05, Penal Code; or (19) an offense under Chapter 20A, Penal Code. 10 SECTION 1.11. Section 3.03(b), Penal Code, is amended to 11 read as follows: 12 If the accused is found guilty of more than one offense 13 arising out of the same criminal episode, the sentences may run 14 15 concurrently or consecutively if each sentence is for a conviction of: 16 17 (1)an offense: under Section 49.07 or 49.08, regardless of 18 whether the accused is convicted of violations of the same section 19 more than once or is convicted of violations of both sections; or 20 21 (B) for which a plea agreement was reached in a case in which the accused was charged with more than one offense 22 listed in Paragraph (A), regardless of whether the accused is 23 24 charged with violations of the same section more than once or is charged with violations of both sections; 25 26 (2) an offense:

(A)

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under Section 33.021 or an offense under

- 1 Section 21.02, 21.11, 22.011, 22.021, 25.02, or 43.25 committed
- 2 against a victim younger than 17 years of age at the time of the
- 3 commission of the offense regardless of whether the accused is
- 4 convicted of violations of the same section more than once or is
- 5 convicted of violations of more than one section; or
- 6 (B) for which a plea agreement was reached in a
- 7 case in which the accused was charged with more than one offense
- 8 listed in Paragraph (A) committed against a victim younger than 17
- 9 years of age at the time of the commission of the offense regardless
- 10 of whether the accused is charged with violations of the same
- 11 section more than once or is charged with violations of more than
- 12 one section;
- 13 (3) an offense:
- 14 (A) under Section 21.15 or 43.26, regardless of
- 15 whether the accused is convicted of violations of the same section
- 16 more than once or is convicted of violations of both sections; or
- 17 (B) for which a plea agreement was reached in a
- 18 case in which the accused was charged with more than one offense
- 19 listed in Paragraph (A), regardless of whether the accused is
- 20 charged with violations of the same section more than once or is
- 21 charged with violations of both sections; [ex]
- 22 (4) an offense for which the judgment in the case
- 23 contains an affirmative finding under Article 42.0197, Code of
- 24 Criminal Procedure; or
- 25 (5) an offense:
- 26 (A) under Section 43.05 or Chapter 20A,
- 27 regardless of whether the accused is convicted of violations of the

- 1 same section more than once or is convicted of violations of both
- 2 sections; or
- 3 (B) for which a plea agreement was reached in a
- 4 case in which the accused was charged with more than one offense
- 5 listed in Paragraph (A), regardless of whether the accused is
- 6 charged with violations of the same section more than once or is
- 7 charged with violations of both sections.
- 8 SECTION 1.12. Section 12.42(c)(2), Penal Code, is amended
- 9 to read as follows:
- 10 (2) Notwithstanding Subdivision (1), a defendant
- 11 shall be punished by imprisonment in the Texas Department of
- 12 Criminal Justice for life if:
- 13 (A) the defendant is convicted of an offense:
- (i) under Section 20A.02(d), 21.11(a)(1),
- 15 22.021, or 22.011, Penal Code;
- 16 (ii) under Section 20.04(a)(4), Penal Code,
- 17 if the defendant committed the offense with the intent to violate or
- 18 abuse the victim sexually; or
- 19 (iii) under Section 30.02, Penal Code,
- 20 punishable under Subsection (d) of that section, if the defendant
- 21 committed the offense with the intent to commit a felony described
- 22 by Subparagraph (i) or (ii) or a felony under Section 21.11, Penal
- 23 Code; and
- 24 (B) the defendant has been previously convicted
- 25 of an offense:
- 26 (i) under Section 43.25 or 43.26, Penal
- 27 Code, or an offense under Section 43.23, Penal Code, punishable

- 1 under Subsection (h) of that section;
- 2 (ii) under Section 20A.02(d), 21.02, 21.11,
- 3 22.011, 22.021, or 25.02, Penal Code;
- 4 (iii) under Section 20.04(a)(4), Penal
- 5 Code, if the defendant committed the offense with the intent to
- 6 violate or abuse the victim sexually;
- 7 (iv) under Section 30.02, Penal Code,
- 8 punishable under Subsection (d) of that section, if the defendant
- 9 committed the offense with the intent to commit a felony described
- 10 by Subparagraph (ii) or (iii); or
- 11 (v) under the laws of another state
- 12 containing elements that are substantially similar to the elements
- 13 of an offense listed in Subparagraph (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv).
- SECTION 1.13. Section 43.05(b), Penal Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 (b) An offense under <u>Subsection (a)(1) of</u> this section is a
- 17 felony of the second degree and an offense under Subsection (a)(2)
- 18 of this section is a felony of the first degree.
- 19 SECTION 1.14. Section 21.02(c), Penal Code, is amended to
- 20 read as follows:
- 21 (c) For purposes of this section, "act of sexual abuse"
- 22 means any act that is a violation of one or more of the following
- 23 penal laws:
- 24 (1) aggravated kidnapping under Section 20.04(a)(4),
- 25 if the actor committed the offense with the intent to violate or
- 26 abuse the victim sexually;
- 27 (2) indecency with a child under Section 21.11(a)(1),

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- 1 if the actor committed the offense in a manner other than by
- 2 touching, including touching through clothing, the breast of a
- 3 child;
- 4 (3) sexual assault under Section 22.011;
- 5 (4) aggravated sexual assault under Section 22.021;
- 6 (5) burglary under Section 30.02, if the offense is
- 7 punishable under Subsection (d) of that section and the actor
- 8 committed the offense with the intent to commit an offense listed in
- 9 Subdivisions (1)-(4); [and]
- 10 (6) sexual performance by a child under Section 43.25;
- 11 (7) compelling prostitution under Section
- 12 43.25(a)(2); and
- 13 (8) trafficking of persons under Section 20A.02(d).
- 14 SECTION 1.15. Section 22.021(a), Penal Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 (a) A person commits an offense:
- 17 (1) if the person:
- 18 (A) intentionally or knowingly:
- 19 (i) causes the penetration of the anus or
- 20 sexual organ of another person by any means, without that person's
- 21 consent;
- 22 (ii) causes the penetration of the mouth of
- 23 another person by the sexual organ of the actor, without that
- 24 person's consent; or
- 25 (iii) causes the sexual organ of another
- 26 person, without that person's consent, to contact or penetrate the
- 27 mouth, anus, or sexual organ of another person, including the

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    actor; or
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                          intentionally or knowingly:
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                          (i)
                              causes the penetration of the anus or
    sexual organ of a child by any means;
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                          (ii) causes the penetration of the mouth of
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    a child by the sexual organ of the actor;
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                          (iii) causes the sexual organ of a child to
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    contact or penetrate the mouth, anus, or sexual organ of another
   person, including the actor;
                          (iv) causes the anus of a child to contact
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    the mouth, anus, or sexual organ of another person, including the
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    actor; or
                          (v) causes the mouth of a child to contact
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    the anus or sexual organ of another person, including the actor; and
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                (2)
                     if:
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                     (A)
                          the person:
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                          (i) causes serious
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    attempts to cause the death of the victim or another person in the
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    course of the same criminal episode;
                          (ii) by acts or words places the victim in
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   fear that death, serious bodily injury, trafficking of persons for
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    sexual services, or kidnapping will be imminently inflicted on any
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   person;
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                          (iii)
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   presence of the victim threatens to cause the death, serious bodily
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    injury, trafficking of persons for sexual services, or kidnapping
    of any person;
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1 (iv) uses or exhibits a deadly weapon in the
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- 2 course of the same criminal episode;
- 3 (v) acts in concert with another who
- 4 engages in conduct described by Subdivision (1) directed toward the
- 5 same victim and occurring during the course of the same criminal
- 6 episode; or
- 7 (vi) administers or provides
- 8 flunitrazepam, otherwise known as rohypnol, gamma hydroxybutyrate,
- 9 or ketamine to the victim of the offense with the intent of
- 10 facilitating the commission of the offense;
- 11 (B) the victim is younger than 14 years of age; or
- 12 (C) the victim is an elderly individual or a
- 13 disabled individual.
- SECTION 1.16. Section 15.031(b), Penal Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 (b) A person commits an offense if, with intent that an
- 17 offense under Section 20A.02(c), 20A.02(d), 21.02, 21.11, 22.011,
- 18 22.021, 43.02, 43.05(a)(2), or 43.25 be committed, the person by
- 19 any means requests, commands, or attempts to induce a minor or
- 20 another whom the person believes to be a minor to engage in specific
- 21 conduct that, under the circumstances surrounding the actor's
- 22 conduct as the actor believes them to be, would constitute an
- 23 offense under one of those sections or would make the minor or other
- 24 believed by the person to be a minor a party to the commission of an
- 25 offense under one of those sections.
- SECTION 1.17. Article 13.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 27 amended to read as follows:

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- 1 Art. 13.12. TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS, FALSE IMPRISONMENT AND
- 2 KIDNAPPING. Venue for trafficking of persons, false imprisonment
- 3 and kidnapping is in either the county in which the offense was
- 4 committed, or in any county through, into or out of which the person
- 5 falsely imprisoned or kidnapped may have been taken.
- 6 SECTION 1.18. Article 62.001(5), Code of Criminal
- 7 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 (5) "Reportable conviction or adjudication" means a
- 9 conviction or adjudication, including an adjudication of
- 10 delinquent conduct or a deferred adjudication, that, regardless of
- 11 the pendency of an appeal, is a conviction for or an adjudication
- 12 for or based on:
- 13 (A) a violation of Section 21.02 (Continuous
- 14 sexual abuse of young child or children), 21.11 (Indecency with a
- 15 child), 22.011 (Sexual assault), 22.021 (Aggravated sexual
- 16 assault), or 25.02 (Prohibited sexual conduct), Penal Code;
- 17 (B) a violation of Section 43.05 (Compelling
- 18 prostitution), 43.25 (Sexual performance by a child), or 43.26
- 19 (Possession or promotion of child pornography), Penal Code;
- 20 (C) a violation of Section 20.04(a)(4)
- 21 (Aggravated kidnapping), Penal Code, if the actor committed the
- 22 offense or engaged in the conduct with intent to violate or abuse
- 23 the victim sexually;
- (D) a violation of Section 30.02 (Burglary),
- 25 Penal Code, if the offense or conduct is punishable under
- 26 Subsection (d) of that section and the actor committed the offense
- 27 or engaged in the conduct with intent to commit a felony listed in

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1 Paragraph (A) or (C);
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- 2 (E) a violation of Section 20.02 (Unlawful
- 3 restraint), 20.03 (Kidnapping), or 20.04 (Aggravated kidnapping),
- 4 Penal Code, if, as applicable:
- 5 (i) the judgment in the case contains an
- 6 affirmative finding under Article 42.015; or
- 7 (ii) the order in the hearing or the papers
- 8 in the case contain an affirmative finding that the victim or
- 9 intended victim was younger than 17 years of age;
- 10 (F) the second violation of Section 21.08
- 11 (Indecent exposure), Penal Code, but not if the second violation
- 12 results in a deferred adjudication;
- 13 (G) an attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation, as
- 14 defined by Chapter 15, Penal Code, to commit an offense or engage in
- 15 conduct listed in Paragraph (A), (B), (C), (D), [ex] (E), or (K);
- 16 (H) a violation of the laws of another state,
- 17 federal law, the laws of a foreign country, or the Uniform Code of
- 18 Military Justice for or based on the violation of an offense
- 19 containing elements that are substantially similar to the elements
- 20 of an offense listed under Paragraph (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (G),
- 21 [or] (J), or (K), but not if the violation results in a deferred
- 22 adjudication;
- (I) the second violation of the laws of another
- 24 state, federal law, the laws of a foreign country, or the Uniform
- 25 Code of Military Justice for or based on the violation of an offense
- 26 containing elements that are substantially similar to the elements
- 27 of the offense of indecent exposure, but not if the second violation

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- 2 (J) a violation of Section 33.021 (Online
- 3 solicitation of a minor), Penal Code; or
- 4 (K) a violation of Sections 20A.02(b) and (d)
- 5 (Trafficking of persons), Penal Code.
- 6 SECTION 1.19. Article 62.101(a), Code of Criminal
- 7 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) and Subchapter I,
- 9 the duty to register for a person ends when the person dies if the
- 10 person has a reportable conviction or adjudication, other than an
- 11 adjudication of delinquent conduct, for:
- 12 (1) a sexually violent offense;
- 13 (2) an offense under Section 20A.02(b), 20A.02(d),
- 14 25.02, 43.05(a)(2), or 43.26, Penal Code;
- 15 (3) an offense under Section 21.11(a)(2), Penal Code,
- 16 if before or after the person is convicted or adjudicated for the
- 17 offense under Section 21.11(a)(2), Penal Code, the person receives
- 18 or has received another reportable conviction or adjudication,
- 19 other than an adjudication of delinquent conduct, for an offense or
- 20 conduct that requires registration under this chapter;
- 21 (4) an offense under Section 20.02, 20.03, or 20.04,
- 22 Penal Code, if:
- (A) the judgment in the case contains an
- 24 affirmative finding under Article 42.015 or, for a deferred
- 25 adjudication, the papers in the case contain an affirmative finding
- 26 that the victim or intended victim was younger than 17 years of age;
- 27 and

- 1 (B) before or after the person is convicted or
- 2 adjudicated for the offense under Section 20.02, 20.03, or 20.04,
- 3 Penal Code, the person receives or has received another reportable
- 4 conviction or adjudication, other than an adjudication of
- 5 delinquent conduct, for an offense or conduct that requires
- 6 registration under this chapter; or
- 7 (5) an offense under Section 43.23, Penal Code, that
- 8 is punishable under Subsection (h) of that section.
- 9 ARTICLE 2. CERTAIN DUTIES TOWARD AND PROTECTIONS FOR
- 10 VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING
- 11 SECTION 2.01. The heading to Chapter 7A, Code of Criminal
- 12 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 13 CHAPTER 7A. PROTECTIVE ORDER FOR CERTAIN VICTIMS [VICTIM] OF
- 14 TRAFFICKING OR SEXUAL ASSAULT
- SECTION 2.02. Article 7A.01(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 16 is amended to read as follows:
- 17 (a) The following persons [A person who is the victim of an
- 18 offense under Section 21.02, 21.11, 22.011, or 22.021, Penal Code,
- 19 a parent or guardian acting on behalf of a person younger than 17
- 20 years of age who is the victim of such an offense, or a prosecuting
- 21 attorney acting on behalf of the person] may file an application for
- 22 a protective order under this chapter without regard to the
- 23 relationship between the applicant and the alleged offender $\underline{:}$
- (1) a person who is the victim of an offense under
- 25 <u>Section 21.02, 21.11, 22.011, or 22.021, Penal Code;</u>
- 26 (2) a person who is the victim of an offense under
- 27 Section 20A.02(b), 20A.02(d), or 43.05, Penal Code;

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               (3) a parent or guardian acting on behalf of a person
   younger than 18 years of age who is the victim of an offense listed
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   in Subdivision (1) or (2); or
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               (4) a prosecuting attorney acting on behalf of a
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   person described by Subdivision (1) or (2).
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          SECTION 2.03. Article 38.07(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
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    is amended to read as follows:
          (a) A conviction under Chapter 21, Section 20A.02(b),
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   Section 20A.02(d), Section 22.011, or Section 22.021, Penal Code,
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   is supportable on the uncorroborated testimony of the victim of the
   sexual offense if the victim informed any person, other than the
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   defendant, of the alleged offense within one year after the date on
   which the offense is alleged to have occurred.
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          SECTION 2.04. Section 1, Article 38.071, Code of Criminal
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   Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
          Sec. 1. This article applies only to a hearing or proceeding
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   in which the court determines that a child younger than 13 years of
   age would be unavailable to testify in the presence of the defendant
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   about an offense defined by any of the following sections of the
   Penal Code:
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                    Section 19.02 (Murder);
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               (1)
                    Section 19.03 (Capital Murder);
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               (2)
                    Section 19.04 (Manslaughter);
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               (3)
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               (4)
                    Section 20.04 (Aggravated Kidnapping);
                    Section 21.11 (Indecency with a Child);
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               (6)
                    Section 22.011 (Sexual Assault);
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Section 22.02 (Aggravated Assault);

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                    Section 22.021 (Aggravated Sexual Assault);
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               (8)
                    Section 22.04(e) (Injury to a Child, Elderly
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   Individual, or Disabled Individual);
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               (10) Section 22.04(f) (Injury to a Child, Elderly
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   Individual, or Disabled Individual), if the conduct is committed
    intentionally or knowingly;
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                     Section 25.02 (Prohibited Sexual Conduct);
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               (12)
                     Section 29.03 (Aggravated Robbery);
                     Section 43.25 (Sexual Performance by a Child);
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               (13)
    [<del>or</del>]
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                     Section 21.02 (Continuous Sexual Abuse of Young
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   Child or Children);
               (15) Section 43.05(a)(2) (Compelling Prostitution);
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   or
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               (16) Section 20A.02(d) (Trafficking of Persons).
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          SECTION 2.05. Section 1, Article 38.072, Code of Criminal
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   Procedure, as amended by Chapters 284 (S.B. 643) and 710 (H.B.
   2846), Acts of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, is
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   reenacted and amended to read as follows:
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          Sec. 1. This article applies only to a proceeding in the
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   prosecution of an offense under any of the following provisions of
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   the Penal Code, if committed against a child younger than 14 years
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   of age:
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               (1)
                    Chapter 21 (Sexual Offenses) or 22 (Assaultive
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   Offenses);
                    Section 25.02 (Prohibited Sexual Conduct);
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Section 43.25 (Sexual Performance by a Child);

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               (4)
                    Section 43.05(a)(2) (Compelling Prostitution);
               (5) Sections 20A.02(b) and (d) (Trafficking of
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   Persons); or
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               (6) Section 15.01 (Criminal Attempt), if the offense
   attempted is described by Subdivision (1), (2), [ex] (3), (4), or
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   (5) of this section.
          SECTION 2.06. Section 1, Article 38.37, Code of Criminal
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   Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
          Sec. 1. This article applies to a proceeding in the
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   prosecution of a defendant for an offense under the following
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   provisions of the Penal Code, if committed against a child under 17
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   years of age:
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                    Chapter 21 (Sexual Offenses);
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               (2)
                    Chapter 22 (Assaultive Offenses);
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                    Section 25.02 (Prohibited Sexual Conduct);
               (3)
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               (4)
                    Section 43.25 (Sexual Performance by a Child);
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               (5)
                    Section 43.05(a)(2) (Compelling Prostitution);
               (6) Sections 20A.02(b) and (d) (Trafficking of
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   Persons); or
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               (7) an attempt or conspiracy to commit an offense
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which a child is alleged to be a delinquent child on the basis of a

SECTION 2.07. Section 54.031(a), Family Code, is amended to

(a) This section applies to a hearing under this title in

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read as follows:

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- 1 violation of any of the following provisions of the Penal Code, if a
- 2 child 12 years of age or younger or a person with a disability is the
- 3 alleged victim of the violation:
- 4 (1) Chapter 21 (Sexual Offenses) or 22 (Assaultive
- 5 Offenses);
- 6 (2) Section 25.02 (Prohibited Sexual Conduct); [or]
- 7 (3) Section 43.25 (Sexual Performance by a Child);
- 8 (4) Section 43.05(a)(2) (Compelling Prostitution); or
- 9 (5) Sections 20A.02(c) and (d) (Trafficking of
- 10 Persons).
- 11 SECTION 2.08. Section 33.009, Family Code, is amended to
- 12 read as follows:
- 13 Sec. 33.009. OTHER REPORTS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR. A
- 14 court or the guardian ad litem or attorney ad litem for the minor
- 15 shall report conduct reasonably believed to violate Section
- 16 20A.02(d), 21.02, 22.011, 22.021, or 25.02, Penal Code, based on
- 17 information obtained during a confidential court proceeding held
- 18 under this chapter to:
- 19 (1) any local or state law enforcement agency;
- 20 (2) the Department of Family and Protective Services,
- 21 if the alleged conduct involves a person responsible for the care,
- 22 custody, or welfare of the child;
- 23 (3) the state agency that operates, licenses,
- 24 certifies, or registers the facility in which the alleged conduct
- 25 occurred, if the alleged conduct occurred in a facility operated,
- 26 licensed, certified, or registered by a state agency; or
- 27 (4) an appropriate agency designated by the court.

- 1 SECTION 2.09. Section 33.010, Family Code, is amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 Sec. 33.010. CONFIDENTIALITY. Notwithstanding any other
- 4 law, information obtained by the Department of Family and
- 5 Protective Services or another entity under Section 33.008 or
- 6 33.009 is confidential except to the extent necessary to prove a
- 7 violation of Section 20A.02(d), 21.02, 22.011, 22.021, or 25.02,
- 8 Penal Code.
- 9 SECTION 2.10. Section 161.001, Family Code, is amended to
- 10 read as follows:
- 11 Sec. 161.001. INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION OF PARENT-CHILD
- 12 RELATIONSHIP. The court may order termination of the parent-child
- 13 relationship if the court finds by clear and convincing evidence:
- 14 (1) that the parent has:
- 15 (A) voluntarily left the child alone or in the
- 16 possession of another not the parent and expressed an intent not to
- 17 return;
- 18 (B) voluntarily left the child alone or in the
- 19 possession of another not the parent without expressing an intent
- 20 to return, without providing for the adequate support of the child,
- 21 and remained away for a period of at least three months;
- (C) voluntarily left the child alone or in the
- 23 possession of another without providing adequate support of the
- 24 child and remained away for a period of at least six months;
- (D) knowingly placed or knowingly allowed the
- 26 child to remain in conditions or surroundings which endanger the
- 27 physical or emotional well-being of the child;

- 1 (E) engaged in conduct or knowingly placed the
- 2 child with persons who engaged in conduct which endangers the
- 3 physical or emotional well-being of the child;
- 4 (F) failed to support the child in accordance
- 5 with the parent's ability during a period of one year ending within
- 6 six months of the date of the filing of the petition;
- 7 (G) abandoned the child without identifying the
- 8 child or furnishing means of identification, and the child's
- 9 identity cannot be ascertained by the exercise of reasonable
- 10 diligence;
- 11 (H) voluntarily, and with knowledge of the
- 12 pregnancy, abandoned the mother of the child beginning at a time
- 13 during her pregnancy with the child and continuing through the
- 14 birth, failed to provide adequate support or medical care for the
- 15 mother during the period of abandonment before the birth of the
- 16 child, and remained apart from the child or failed to support the
- 17 child since the birth;
- 18 (I) contumaciously refused to submit to a
- 19 reasonable and lawful order of a court under Subchapter D, Chapter
- 20 261;
- 21 (J) been the major cause of:
- (i) the failure of the child to be enrolled
- 23 in school as required by the Education Code; or
- 24 (ii) the child's absence from the child's
- 25 home without the consent of the parents or guardian for a
- 26 substantial length of time or without the intent to return;
- 27 (K) executed before or after the suit is filed an

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   unrevoked or irrevocable affidavit of relinquishment of parental
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   community supervision, including deferred adjudication community
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   supervision, for being criminally responsible for the death or
   serious injury of a child under the following sections of the Penal
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   Code or adjudicated under Title 3 for conduct that caused the death
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   or serious injury of a child and that would constitute a violation
   of one of the following Penal Code sections:
                          (i) Section 19.02 (murder);
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                          (ii) Section 19.03 (capital murder);
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                          (iii) Section 19.04 (manslaughter);
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    child);
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                          (v) Section 22.01 (assault);
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                          (vi) Section 22.011 (sexual assault);
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                          (vii) Section 22.02 (aggravated assault);
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    assault);
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   elderly individual, or disabled individual);
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    endangering child);
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   conduct);
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   promotion of child pornography); [and]
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                          (xiv) Section
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                                                  (continuous
    abuse of young child or children);
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                                           43.05(a)(2)
                          (xv) Section
                                                           (compelling
   prostitution);
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 7
                          (xvi) Section 43.02 (prostitution); and
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                          (xvii) Section 20A.02(d) (trafficking of
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                         had his or her parent-child relationship
    terminated with respect to another child based on a finding that the
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    parent's conduct was in violation of Paragraph (D) or (E) or
    substantially equivalent provisions of the law of another state;
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                          constructively abandoned the child who has
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    been in the permanent or temporary managing conservatorship of the
    Department of Family and Protective Services or an authorized
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    agency for not less than six months, and:
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                          (i) the department or authorized agency has
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    made reasonable efforts to return the child to the parent;
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                          (ii) the parent has not regularly visited
    or maintained significant contact with the child; and
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                          (iii) the
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    inability to provide the child with a safe environment;
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                         failed to comply with the provisions of a
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    court order that specifically established the actions necessary for
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    the parent to obtain the return of the child who has been in the
    permanent or temporary managing conservatorship of the Department
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- 1 of Family and Protective Services for not less than nine months as a
- 2 result of the child's removal from the parent under Chapter 262 for
- 3 the abuse or neglect of the child;
- 4 (P) used a controlled substance, as defined by
- 5 Chapter 481, Health and Safety Code, in a manner that endangered the
- 6 health or safety of the child, and:
- 7 (i) failed to complete a court-ordered
- 8 substance abuse treatment program; or
- 9 (ii) after completion of a court-ordered
- 10 substance abuse treatment program, continued to abuse a controlled
- 11 substance;
- 12 (Q) knowingly engaged in criminal conduct that
- 13 has resulted in the parent's:
- 14 (i) conviction of an offense; and
- 15 (ii) confinement or imprisonment and
- 16 inability to care for the child for not less than two years from the
- 17 date of filing the petition;
- 18 (R) been the cause of the child being born
- 19 addicted to alcohol or a controlled substance, other than a
- 20 controlled substance legally obtained by prescription, as defined
- 21 by Section 261.001;
- (S) voluntarily delivered the child to a
- 23 designated emergency infant care provider under Section 262.302
- 24 without expressing an intent to return for the child; or
- 25 (T) been convicted of:
- 26 (i) the murder of the other parent of the
- 27 child under Section 19.02 or 19.03, Penal Code, or under a law of

- 1 another state, federal law, the law of a foreign country, or the
- 2 Uniform Code of Military Justice that contains elements that are
- 3 substantially similar to the elements of an offense under Section
- 4 19.02 or 19.03, Penal Code;
- 5 (ii) criminal attempt under Section 15.01,
- 6 Penal Code, or under a law of another state, federal law, the law of
- 7 a foreign country, or the Uniform Code of Military Justice that
- 8 contains elements that are substantially similar to the elements of
- 9 an offense under Section 15.01, Penal Code, to commit the offense
- 10 described by Subparagraph (i); or
- 11 (iii) criminal solicitation under Section
- 12 15.03, Penal Code, or under a law of another state, federal law, the
- 13 law of a foreign country, or the Uniform Code of Military Justice
- 14 that contains elements that are substantially similar to the
- 15 elements of an offense under Section 15.03, Penal Code, of the
- 16 offense described by Subparagraph (i); and
- 17 (2) that termination is in the best interest of the
- 18 child.
- 19 SECTION 2.11. Section 261.001(1), Family Code, is amended
- 20 to read as follows:
- 21 (1) "Abuse" includes the following acts or omissions
- 22 by a person:
- (A) mental or emotional injury to a child that
- 24 results in an observable and material impairment in the child's
- 25 growth, development, or psychological functioning;
- 26 (B) causing or permitting the child to be in a
- 27 situation in which the child sustains a mental or emotional injury

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- 1 that results in an observable and material impairment in the
- 2 child's growth, development, or psychological functioning;
- 3 (C) physical injury that results in substantial
- 4 harm to the child, or the genuine threat of substantial harm from
- 5 physical injury to the child, including an injury that is at
- 6 variance with the history or explanation given and excluding an
- 7 accident or reasonable discipline by a parent, guardian, or
- 8 managing or possessory conservator that does not expose the child
- 9 to a substantial risk of harm;
- 10 (D) failure to make a reasonable effort to
- 11 prevent an action by another person that results in physical injury
- 12 that results in substantial harm to the child;
- 13 (E) sexual conduct harmful to a child's mental,
- 14 emotional, or physical welfare, including conduct that constitutes
- 15 the offense of continuous sexual abuse of young child or children
- 16 under Section 21.02, Penal Code, indecency with a child under
- 17 Section 21.11, Penal Code, sexual assault under Section 22.011,
- 18 Penal Code, [or] aggravated sexual assault under Section 22.021,
- 19 Penal Code, or prostitution under Section 43.02(a)(2), Penal Code;
- (F) failure to make a reasonable effort to
- 21 prevent sexual conduct harmful to a child;
- (G) compelling or encouraging the child to engage
- 23 in sexual conduct as defined by Section 43.01, Penal Code,
- 24 including conduct that constitutes an offense of trafficking of
- 25 persons for sexual services under Section 20A.02(d), Penal Code, or
- 26 compelling prostitution under Section 43.05(a)(2), Penal Code;
- 27 (H) causing, permitting, encouraging, engaging

- 1 in, or allowing the photographing, filming, or depicting of the
- 2 child if the person knew or should have known that the resulting
- 3 photograph, film, or depiction of the child is obscene as defined by
- 4 Section 43.21, Penal Code, or pornographic;
- 5 (I) the current use by a person of a controlled
- 6 substance as defined by Chapter 481, Health and Safety Code, in a
- 7 manner or to the extent that the use results in physical, mental, or
- 8 emotional injury to a child;
- 9 (J) causing, expressly permitting, or
- 10 encouraging a child to use a controlled substance as defined by
- 11 Chapter 481, Health and Safety Code; [or]
- 12 (K) causing, permitting, encouraging, engaging
- 13 in, or allowing a sexual performance by a child as defined by
- 14 Section 43.25, Penal Code; or
- (L) knowingly causing, permitting, encouraging,
- 16 engaging in, or allowing conduct that constitutes an offense of
- 17 trafficking of persons under Section 20A.02(c), Penal Code, or the
- 18 failure to make a reasonable effort to prevent conduct that
- 19 constitutes the offense of trafficking of persons under Section
- 20 <u>20A.02(c)</u>, Penal Code.
- SECTION 2.12. Section 262.2015(b), Family Code, is amended
- 22 to read as follows:
- 23 (b) The court may find under Subsection (a) that a parent
- 24 has subjected the child to aggravated circumstances if:
- 25 (1) the parent abandoned the child without
- 26 identification or a means for identifying the child;
- 27 (2) the child is a victim of serious bodily injury or

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   sexual abuse inflicted by the parent or by another person with the
   parent's consent;
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               (3) the parent has engaged in conduct against the
   child that would constitute an offense under the following
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   provisions of the Penal Code:
                    (A)
                         Section 19.02 (murder);
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                    (B)
                         Section 19.03 (capital murder);
                         Section 19.04 (manslaughter);
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                    (C)
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                    (D)
                         Section 21.11 (indecency with a child);
                        Section 22.011 (sexual assault);
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                    (E)
                        Section 22.02 (aggravated assault);
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                    (F)
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                    (G)
                         Section 22.021 (aggravated sexual assault);
                         Section 22.04 (injury to a child, elderly
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                    (H)
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    individual, or disabled individual);
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                    (I)
                         Section 22.041 (abandoning or endangering
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   child);
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                    (J)
                         Section 25.02 (prohibited sexual conduct);
                         Section 43.25 (sexual performance by
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                    (K)
   child);
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                         Section 43.26 (possession or promotion of
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   child pornography); [or]
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                    (M)
                         Section 21.02 (continuous sexual abuse of
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   young child or children);
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                    (N) Section 43.02 (prostitution);
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                    (0) Section 43.05(a)(2)
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   prostitution); or
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(P) Section 20A.02(d) (trafficking of persons);

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- 1 (4) the parent voluntarily left the child alone or in
- 2 the possession of another person not the parent of the child for at
- 3 least six months without expressing an intent to return and without
- 4 providing adequate support for the child;
- 5 (5) the parent's parental rights with regard to
- 6 another child have been involuntarily terminated based on a finding
- 7 that the parent's conduct violated Section 161.001(1)(D) or (E) or
- 8 a substantially equivalent provision of another state's law;
- 9 (6) the parent has been convicted for:
- 10 (A) the murder of another child of the parent and
- 11 the offense would have been an offense under 18 U.S.C. Section
- 12 1111(a) if the offense had occurred in the special maritime or
- 13 territorial jurisdiction of the United States;
- 14 (B) the voluntary manslaughter of another child
- 15 of the parent and the offense would have been an offense under 18
- 16 U.S.C. Section 1112(a) if the offense had occurred in the special
- 17 maritime or territorial jurisdiction of the United States;
- 18 (C) aiding or abetting, attempting, conspiring,
- 19 or soliciting an offense under Subdivision (A) or (B); or
- 20 (D) the felony assault of the child or another
- 21 child of the parent that resulted in serious bodily injury to the
- 22 child or another child of the parent; or
- 23 (7) the parent's parental rights with regard to two
- 24 other children have been involuntarily terminated.
- 25 SECTION 2.13. Section 25.026, Tax Code, is amended to read
- 26 as follows:
- 27 Sec. 25.026. CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN [VIOLENCE] SHELTER

- 1 CENTER AND SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM ADDRESS INFORMATION. (a) In this
- 2 section:
- 3 (1) "Family violence shelter center" has the meaning
- 4 assigned by Section 51.002, Human Resources Code.
- 5 (2) "Sexual assault program" has the meaning assigned
- 6 by Section 420.003, Government Code.
- 7 (3) "Victims of trafficking shelter center" means a
- 8 program that:
- 9 (A) is operated by a public or private nonprofit
- 10 organization; and
- 11 (B) provides comprehensive residential and
- 12 nonresidential services to victims of trafficking of persons under
- 13 Section 20A.02, Penal Code.
- 14 (b) Information in appraisal records under Section 25.02 is
- 15 confidential and is available only for the official use of the
- 16 appraisal district, this state, the comptroller, and taxing units
- 17 and political subdivisions of this state if the information
- 18 identifies the address of a family violence shelter center, [or] a
- 19 sexual assault program, or a victims of trafficking shelter center.
- 20 ARTICLE 3. ADDITIONAL CIVIL CONSEQUENCES
- 21 OF TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS
- SECTION 3.01. Section 16.0045(a), Civil Practice and
- 23 Remedies Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 24 (a) A person must bring suit for personal injury not later
- 25 than five years after the day the cause of action accrues if the
- 26 injury arises as a result of conduct that violates:
- 27 (1) Section 22.011, Penal Code (sexual assault);

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               (2)
                    Section 22.021, Penal Code (aggravated sexual
   assault); [<del>or</del>]
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                    Section 21.02, Penal Code (continuous sexual abuse
   of young child or children);
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               (4) Section 43.05, Penal Code
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   prostitution); or
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               (5) any section under Chapter 20A,
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   (trafficking of persons).
          SECTION 3.02. Section 33.013(b), Civil
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   Remedies Code, is amended to read as follows:
          (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), each liable defendant
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   is, in addition to his liability under Subsection (a), jointly and
   severally liable for the damages recoverable by the claimant under
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   Section 33.012 with respect to a cause of action if:
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               (1) the percentage of responsibility attributed to the
   defendant with respect to a cause of action is greater than 50
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   percent; or
                    the defendant, with the specific intent to do harm
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   to others, acted in concert with another person to engage in the
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   conduct described in the following provisions of the Penal Code and
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Section 19.02 (murder); 23 (A)

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the claimant:

- 24 (B) Section 19.03 (capital murder);
- 25 (C) Section 20.04 (aggravated kidnapping);
- 26 (D) Section 22.02 (aggravated assault);
- Section 22.011 (sexual assault); 27 (E)

in so doing proximately caused the damages legally recoverable by

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                     (F)
                         Section 22.021 (aggravated sexual assault);
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                     (G)
                          Section 22.04 (injury to a child, elderly
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    individual, or disabled individual);
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                          Section 32.21 (forgery);
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                         Section 32.43 (commercial bribery);
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                     (J)
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   property or property of financial institution);
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   document by deception);
                     (L) Section
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                                           (fraudulent
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   removal, or concealment of writing);
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   punishment level for which is a felony of the third degree or
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   higher; [or]
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                     (N)
                         Section 21.02 (continuous sexual abuse of
   young child or children);
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                     (O) Section 43.05 (compelling prostitution); or
                     (P) Section 20A.02 (trafficking of persons).
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          SECTION 3.03.
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   Remedies Code, is amended to read as follows:
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          (a) A defendant who engages in the trafficking of persons,
    [or] who intentionally or knowingly receives a benefit [benefits]
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    from participating in a venture that traffics another person, or
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   who is criminally responsible under Section 7.02, Penal Code, for
   the conduct of another person who engages in the conduct described
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by this section is liable to the person trafficked, as provided by

this chapter, for damages arising from the trafficking of that

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- 1 person by, as applicable, the defendant, the [or] venture, or the
- 2 other person for whose conduct the defendant is criminally
- 3 <u>responsible</u>.
- 4 SECTION 3.04. Section 98.005, Civil Practice and Remedies
- 5 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 98.005. JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY. A person who
- 7 engages in the trafficking of persons, [or] who intentionally or
- 8 knowingly receives a benefit [benefits] from participating in a
- 9 venture that traffics another person, or who is criminally
- 10 responsible under Section 7.02, Penal Code, for the conduct of
- 11 another person who engages in the conduct described by this section
- 12 and who is found liable under this chapter or other law for any
- 13 amount of damages arising from the trafficking is jointly liable
- 14 with any other defendant for the entire amount of damages arising
- 15 from the trafficking.
- SECTION 3.05. Section 125.0015(a), Civil Practice and
- 17 Remedies Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 18 (a) A person who maintains a place to which persons
- 19 habitually go for the following purposes and who knowingly
- 20 tolerates the activity and furthermore fails to make reasonable
- 21 attempts to abate the activity maintains a common nuisance:
- 22 (1) discharge of a firearm in a public place as
- 23 prohibited by the Penal Code;
- 24 (2) reckless discharge of a firearm as prohibited by
- 25 the Penal Code;
- 26 (3) engaging in organized criminal activity as a
- 27 member of a combination as prohibited by the Penal Code;

- 1 (4) delivery, possession, manufacture, or use of a
- 2 controlled substance in violation of Chapter 481, Health and Safety
- 3 Code;
- 4 (5) gambling, gambling promotion, or communicating
- 5 gambling information as prohibited by the Penal Code;
- 6 (6) prostitution, promotion of prostitution, or
- 7 aggravated promotion of prostitution as prohibited by the Penal
- 8 Code;
- 9 (7) compelling prostitution as prohibited by the Penal
- 10 Code;
- 11 (8) commercial manufacture, commercial distribution,
- 12 or commercial exhibition of obscene material as prohibited by the
- 13 Penal Code;
- 14 (9) aggravated assault as described by Section 22.02,
- 15 Penal Code;
- 16 (10) sexual assault as described by Section 22.011,
- 17 Penal Code;
- 18 (11) aggravated sexual assault as described by Section
- 19 22.021, Penal Code;
- 20 (12) robbery as described by Section 29.02, Penal
- 21 Code;
- 22 (13) aggravated robbery as described by Section 29.03,
- 23 Penal Code;
- 24 (14) unlawfully carrying a weapon as described by
- 25 Section 46.02, Penal Code;
- 26 (15) murder as described by Section 19.02, Penal Code;
- 27 (16) capital murder as described by Section 19.03,

- 1 Penal Code;
- 2 (17) continuous sexual abuse of young child or
- 3 children as described by Section 21.02, Penal Code; [or]
- 4 (18) massage therapy or other massage services in
- 5 violation of Chapter 455, Occupations Code; or
- 6 (19) trafficking of persons as described by Chapter
- 7 20A, Penal Code.
- 8 ARTICLE 4. TRANSITION; EFFECTIVE DATE
- 9 SECTION 4.01. The change in law made by this Act applies
- 10 only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this
- 11 Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 12 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
- 13 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
- 14 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
- 15 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
- 16 before that date.
- 17 SECTION 4.02. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.