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H.B. No. 2172

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the eligibility of certain children under group life  
3 insurance policies.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 1131.802, Insurance Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 1131.802. EXTENSION OF GROUP LIFE INSURANCE TO SPOUSES  
8 AND CHILDREN; ELIGIBLE CHILDREN. Insurance under a group life  
9 insurance policy may be extended to cover:

10 (1) the spouse of each individual eligible to be  
11 insured under the policy;

12 (2) a natural or adopted child of each individual  
13 eligible to be insured under the policy if the child is:

14 (A) [~~unmarried and~~] younger than 26 [~~25~~] years of  
15 age; or

16 (B) physically or mentally disabled and under the  
17 parents' supervision; or

18 (3) a natural or adopted grandchild of each individual  
19 eligible to be insured under the policy if the child is[+]

20 [~~(A) unmarried,~~

21 [~~(B)~~] younger than 26 [~~25~~] years of age[~~, and~~

22 [~~(C) a dependent of the insured for federal~~  
23 ~~income tax purposes at the time the application for coverage of the~~  
24 ~~child is made].~~

1           SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
2 to an insurance policy that is delivered, issued for delivery, or  
3 renewed on or after January 1, 2012. A policy that is delivered,  
4 issued for delivery, or renewed before January 1, 2012, is governed  
5 by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of  
6 this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

7           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.