

Amend HB 1366 (senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. The heading to Section 6.708, Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6.708. COSTS; ATTORNEY'S FEES AND EXPENSES.

SECTION _____. Section 6.708, Family Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) In a suit for dissolution of a marriage, the court may award reasonable attorney's fees and expenses. The court may order the fees and expenses and any postjudgment interest to be paid directly to the attorney, who may enforce the order in the attorney's own name by any means available for the enforcement of a judgment for debt.

SECTION _____. Section 6.708(c), Family Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a suit for dissolution of a marriage filed on or after the effective date of this Act. A suit filed before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the suit was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.