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H.B. No. 3253

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the notation of death on a birth certificate.

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

SECTION 1. Section 191.034, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 191.034. NOTATION OF DEATH ON BIRTH CERTIFICATE. (a) On receipt of the death certificate of a person [~~younger than 55 years of age~~] whose birth is registered in this state, the state registrar shall conspicuously note the person's date of death [~~make a conspicuous notation~~] on the person's [~~decedent's~~] birth certificate [~~that the person is dead~~].

(b) The state registrar shall notify [~~provide computer-generated abstracts, transcripts, or copies of the death certificate to~~] the county clerk of the county in which the person [~~decedent~~] was born and [~~to~~] the local registrar of the registration district in which the person [~~decedent~~] was born of the person's death. On receipt of the notification of death, the county clerk or local registrar shall conspicuously note the person's date of death [~~make a conspicuous notation~~] on the person's [~~decedent's~~] birth certificate [~~that the person is dead~~].

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.