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S.B. No. 66

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the composition of the child fatality review team  
3 committee.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 264.502(b) and (c), Family Code, are  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The members of the committee who serve under Subsections  
8 (a)(1) through (3) shall select the following additional committee  
9 members:

10 (1) a criminal prosecutor involved in prosecuting  
11 crimes against children;

12 (2) a sheriff;

13 (3) a justice of the peace;

14 (4) a medical examiner;

15 (5) a police chief;

16 (6) a pediatrician experienced in diagnosing and  
17 treating child abuse and neglect;

18 (7) a child educator;

19 (8) a child mental health provider;

20 (9) a public health professional;

21 (10) a child protective services specialist;

22 (11) a sudden infant death syndrome family service  
23 provider;

24 (12) a neonatologist;

- 1           (13) a child advocate;
- 2           (14) a chief juvenile probation officer;
- 3           (15) a child abuse prevention specialist;
- 4           (16) a representative of the Department of Public  
5 Safety; ~~and~~
- 6           (17) a representative of the Texas Department of  
7 Transportation;
- 8           (18) an emergency medical services provider; and
- 9           (19) a provider of services to, or advocate for,  
10 victims of family violence.

11           (c) Members of the committee selected under Subsection (b)  
12 serve three-year terms with the terms of ~~[five or]~~ six or seven  
13 members, as appropriate, expiring February 1 each year.

14           SECTION 2. The members of the child fatality review team  
15 committee under Section 264.502(a), Family Code, responsible for  
16 selecting the additional members of the committee required by  
17 Section 264.502(b), Family Code, as amended by this Act, shall make  
18 those appointments not later than November 1, 2013.

19           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.