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H.B. No. 388

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the duration of protective orders issued in cases of
3 family violence against persons who are subsequently confined or
4 imprisoned.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 85.025(c), Family Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 (c) If a person who is the subject of a protective order is
9 confined or imprisoned on the date the protective order would
10 expire under Subsection (a) or (a-1), or if the protective order
11 would expire not later than the first anniversary of the date the
12 person is released from confinement or imprisonment, the period for
13 which the order is effective is extended, and the order expires on
14 the second [~~first~~] anniversary of the date the person is released
15 from confinement or imprisonment.

16 SECTION 2. Section 85.025(c), Family Code, as amended by
17 this Act, applies only to a protective order issued on or after the
18 effective date of this Act. A protective order issued before the
19 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
20 date the order is issued, and the former law is continued in effect
21 for that purpose.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.