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H.B. No. 3715

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to standing for certain individuals to file a suit  
3 affecting the parent-child relationship.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 102.006(a), Family Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (a) Except as provided by Subsection [~~Subsections~~] (b) [~~and~~  
8 ~~(c)~~], if the parent-child relationship between the child and every  
9 living parent of the child has been terminated, an original suit may  
10 not be filed by:

11 (1) a former parent whose parent-child relationship  
12 with the child has been terminated by court order; or

13 (2) the father of the child[~~, or~~

14 [~~(3) a family member or relative by blood, adoption,~~  
15 ~~or marriage of either a former parent whose parent-child~~  
16 ~~relationship has been terminated or of the father of the child].~~

17 SECTION 2. Section 102.006(c), Family Code, is repealed.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.