

By: Rodriguez of Bexar

H.B. No. 3802

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to intervention by a foster parent in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 102, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 102.0031 to read as follows:

Sec. 102.0031. INTERVENTION BY FOSTER PARENT. A court may not grant a foster parent of a child placed in the foster parent's home by the Department of Family and Protective Services leave to intervene in a pending suit that involves the child unless the child has been in the foster parent's home for at least 12 months.

SECTION 2. Section 102.0031, Family Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a motion to intervene pending on or filed on or after the effective date of this Act.

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