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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend H.B. No. 4 (house committee printing) as follows:

2 (1) On page 1, lines 7-8, strike "(b-1) and (b-2)" and
3 substitute "(b-1), (b-2), and (i)".

4 (2) On page 3, between lines 18 and 19, insert the
5 following:

6 (i) Before a relative or other designated caregiver
7 described by Subsection (b)(2) is appointed as a child's permanent
8 managing conservator, the department shall ensure that the relative
9 or designated caregiver receives financial counseling.

10 (3) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the
11 bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

12 SECTION _____. Section 263.306, Family Code, is amended by
13 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

14 (d) In addition to the requirements of Subsection (a-1), at
15 each permanency hearing before a final order is rendered, the court
16 shall:

17 (1) inform any relative or other designated caregiver
18 for the child that the caregiver will no longer be eligible to
19 receive monetary assistance from the department under Section
20 264.755 if the caregiver is appointed as the child's permanent
21 managing conservator; and

22 (2) determine whether any relative or other designated
23 caregiver for the child is financially prepared to care for the
24 child without monetary assistance from the department under Section
25 264.755.