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H.B. No. 2602

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the appointment of an attorney general liaison for each
3 regional office of the Department of Family and Protective
4 Services.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 402, Government Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 402.040 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 402.040. CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES LIAISON. For each
9 regional office of the Department of Family and Protective Services
10 that provides child protective services, the attorney general shall
11 appoint an employee to serve as a liaison to the department for that
12 regional office. The liaison shall:

13 (1) serve as a point of contact for the attorney
14 general's office to increase communication between the regional
15 office and the attorney general's office;

16 (2) provide assistance to the regional office in
17 locating absent parents of children in the managing conservatorship
18 of the department; and

19 (3) provide to the regional office information in the
20 attorney general's child support database that will enable the
21 regional office to locate absent parents of children in the
22 managing conservatorship of the department.

23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.