

Amend **SB 1676** (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter A, Chapter 153, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 153.016 to read as follows:

Sec. 153.016. DEPENDENT ON THE COURT. For purposes of a suit affecting the parent-child relationship, a child is considered to be a dependent on the court if:

(1) the child does not have available a parent or guardian to provide custody and care of the child;

(2) a court has asserted jurisdiction over the child under this title; and

(3) a court has entered orders concerning conservatorship or possession of, access to, or support for the child.