

By: Thompson of Harris

H.B. No. 558

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to court-ordered support for a child with a disability.

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

SECTION 1. Section 154.302(b), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, a [A] court that orders support under this section shall designate a parent of the child, [or] another person having physical custody or guardianship of the child under a court order, or a special needs trust created for the child to receive the support for the child. The court may designate a child who is 18 years of age or older to receive the support directly.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act constitutes a material and substantial change of circumstances under Section 156.401, Family Code, sufficient to warrant modification of a court order or a portion of a decree that provides for the support of a child rendered before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.