

1-1 By: Miller, Frank (Senate Sponsor - Kolkhorst) H.B. No. 1780
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2019;
1-3 May 8, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &
1-4 Human Services; May 20, 2019, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 20, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the mandatory dismissal date of certain suits affecting
1-20 the parent-child relationship involving the Department of Family
1-21 and Protective Services.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 263.401, Family Code, is amended by
1-24 adding Subsection (b-2) to read as follows:

1-25 (b-2) When considering under Subsection (b) whether to find
1-26 that extraordinary circumstances necessitate the child remaining
1-27 in the temporary managing conservatorship of the department for a
1-28 case in which the court orders a parent to complete a substance
1-29 abuse treatment program, the court shall consider whether the
1-30 parent made a good faith effort to successfully complete the
1-31 program.

1-32 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
1-33 a suit affecting the parent-child relationship filed on or after
1-34 the effective date of this Act. A suit affecting the parent-child
1-35 relationship filed before that date is governed by the law in effect
1-36 on the date the suit was filed, and that law is continued in effect
1-37 for that purpose.

1-38 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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