By: West S.B. No. 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to service of a notice of an application for a protective
- 3 order.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 82.043(c), Family Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (c) Notice of an application for a protective order must be
- 8 served on the person [in the same manner as citation under the Texas
- 9 Rules of Civil Procedure, except that service by publication is not
- 10 authorized].
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 82.043, Family Code, as amended by this
- 12 Act, applies only to a notice of an application for a protective
- 13 order served on or after the effective date of this Act. An
- 14 application for a protective order served before the effective date
- 15 of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before that
- 16 date, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.