

Amend CSHB 2308 (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 9, between "." and "An", insert "(a)".

(2) On page 2, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

(b) The affidavit required by Subsection (a) must describe all reasonable efforts that were made to prevent or eliminate the need for the removal of the child.

(3) On page 4, strike lines 14 through 15 and substitute the following:

SECTION 4. Section 262.105, Family Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(4) On page 6, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

(c) The affidavit required by Subsection (b) must describe all reasonable efforts that were made to prevent or eliminate the need for the removal of the child.

(5) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 262.113, Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 262.113. FILING SUIT WITHOUT TAKING POSSESSION OF CHILD. (a) An original suit filed by a governmental entity that requests to take possession of a child after notice and a hearing must be supported by an affidavit sworn to by a person with personal knowledge and stating facts sufficient to satisfy a person of ordinary prudence and caution that:

(1) there is a continuing danger to the physical health or safety of the child caused by an act or failure to act of the person entitled to possession of the child and that allowing the child to remain in the home would be contrary to the child's welfare; and

(2) reasonable efforts, consistent with the circumstances and providing for the safety of the child, have been made to prevent or eliminate the need to remove the child from the child's home.

(b) The affidavit required by Subsection (a) must describe all reasonable efforts that were made to prevent or eliminate the

need for the removal of the child.