By:  Dutton (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 1013

(In the Senate - Received from the House April 12, 2021; April 19, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence; May 14, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 14, 2021, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Huffman           X

Hinojosa             X

Creighton                     X

Hughes               X

Johnson              X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a requirement that a decree of divorce include the date of the marriage.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter H, Chapter 6, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 6.712 to read as follows:

Sec. 6.712.  DATE OF MARRIAGE REQUIREMENT IN FINAL DECREE. (a) In a suit for dissolution of a marriage in which the court grants a divorce, the court shall state the date of the marriage in the decree of divorce.

(b)  This section does not apply to a suit for dissolution of a marriage described by Section 2.401(a)(2).

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to a suit for dissolution of a marriage filed on or after the effective date of this Act. A suit for dissolution of a marriage filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the suit was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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