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H.B. No. 1185

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the deadline for filing a petition for the termination  
3 of the parent-child relationship in circumstances involving  
4 mistaken paternity.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 161.005(e), Family Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 (e) A petition under Subsection (c) must be filed not later  
9 than the fourth [~~second~~] anniversary of the date on which the  
10 petitioner becomes aware of the facts alleged in the petition  
11 indicating that the petitioner is not the child's genetic father.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.