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H.B. No. 2036

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 2 relating to the definition of close relative of a deceased victim
- 3 for purposes of certain laws relating to the release of an inmate on
- 4 parole or to mandatory supervision.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 508.117(q)(1), Government Code, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 (1) "Close relative of a deceased victim" means a
- 9 person who, regardless of whether the victim's death was related to
- 10 the offense committed, was:
- 11 (A) the spouse of the victim at the time of the
- 12 victim's death;
- 13 (B) a parent of the deceased victim;
- 14 (C) an adult brother, sister, or child of the
- 15 deceased victim; or
- 16 (D) the nearest relative of the deceased victim
- 17 by consanguinity, if the persons described by Paragraphs (A)
- 18 through (C) are deceased or are incapacitated due to physical or
- 19 mental illness or infirmity.
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.