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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to local regulation to enforce child custody orders;
- 3 authorizing a civil penalty.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Chapter 157, Family Code, is amended by adding
- 6 Subchapter J to read as follows:
- 7 SUBCHAPTER J. LOCAL REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT
- 8 Sec. 157.451. CIVIL PENALTY FOR INTERFERENCE WITH CHILD
- 9 CUSTODY ORDER. A municipality or county in this state may adopt an
- 10 ordinance or order that imposes a civil penalty of not more than
- 11 \$500 for engaging in conduct described by Section 25.03, Penal
- 12 <u>Code</u>.
- 13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.