

Amend CSSB 515 (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in amended Section 261.002(b), Family Code (page 2, line 14), strike "relations [affairs]" and substitute "affairs".

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in amended Section 261.002(b), Family Code (page 2, line 18), strike "the expungement" and substitute "an expungement".

(3) In SECTION 3 of the bill, in added Section 261.3081(h), Family Code (page 3, lines 39 and 40), strike "child-care facility or family home as defined by Section 42.002" and substitute "facility or family home regulated under Chapter 42".

(4) In SECTION 5 of the bill, in added Section 261.602, Family Code (page 3, lines 65 and 66), strike "child-care facility or family home as defined by Section 42.002" and substitute "facility or family home regulated under Chapter 42".

(5) In SECTION 5 of the bill, strike added Section 261.603, Family Code (page 3, line 68 through page 4, line 22), and substitute the following:

Sec. 261.603. EXPUNGEMENT REVIEW PANEL; MEMBERS. (a) The department shall establish expungement review panels to review requests to have a person's name removed from the central registry.

(b) An expungement review panel is composed of department employees and a representative of the public appointed by the commissioner from the list under Subsection (c).

(c) The department shall create and maintain a list of volunteers from which to select a public member for an expungement review panel.

(d) The name of a person who volunteers to serve on an expungement review panel:

(1) may be placed on the list under Subsection (c) for a period of two years;

(2) may not be placed on the list under Subsection (c) for more than three two-year periods; and

(3) may not be placed on the list under Subsection (c) if the person:

(A) has been convicted of or indicted for an offense involving child abuse or neglect;

(B) has been determined by the department to have engaged in child abuse or neglect; or

(C) is under investigation by the department for child abuse or neglect.

(e) A person who serves as a public member of an expungement review panel is a department volunteer for the purposes of Section 411.114, Government Code.

(f) The members of an expungement review panel are immune from civil or criminal liability for any act or omission that relates to their duty or responsibility as a member of the review panel if they acted in good faith and within the scope of their responsibility, as provided in Section 40.061, Human Resources Code.

(g) Information and documents considered by an expungement review panel are confidential, and a member of the panel may not disclose any information or documents considered by the panel.

(6) In SECTION 5 of the bill, in added Section 261.604(d), Family Code (page 4, line 41), after the underlined period insert the following:

A person may not make a request under this section for more than three hearings on a single finding of child abuse or neglect within a 10-year period.

(7) In SECTION 5 of the bill, in added Section 261.605(a), Family Code (page 4, line 58), strike "notify the expungement review panel" and substitute "establish an expungement review panel under Section 261.603 and notify the panel".

(8) In SECTION 5 of the bill, in added Section 261.605, Family Code (page 4, between lines 65 and 66), insert the following:

(c) An expungement review panel may conduct a hearing by telephone conference call, videoconference, or another similar telecommunications method if the panel determines that the method of appearance will facilitate the hearing.