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By:  Cook H.B. No. 969

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to local regulation to enforce child custody orders; authorizing a civil penalty.

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

SECTION 1.  Chapter 157, Family Code, is amended by adding Subchapter K to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER K. LOCAL REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Sec. 157.551.  CIVIL PENALTY FOR INTERFERENCE WITH CHILD CUSTODY ORDER. A municipality or county in this state may adopt an ordinance or order that imposes a civil penalty of not more than $500 for engaging in conduct described by Section 25.03, Penal Code.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.