By:  Gamez H.B. No. 1310

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to detention orders in a juvenile court proceeding.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 54.01(h), Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

(h)  A detention order extends to the conclusion of the disposition hearing, if there is one, but in no event for more than 2 [~~10~~] working days. Further detention orders may be made following subsequent detention hearings. The initial detention hearing may not be waived but subsequent detention hearings may be waived in accordance with the requirements of Section 51.09. Each subsequent detention order shall extend for no more than 2 [~~10~~] working days, except that in a county that does not have a certified juvenile detention facility, as described by Section 51.12(a)(3), each subsequent detention order shall extend for no more than 10 [~~15~~] working days.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies to a juvenile court proceeding that began, on or after the effective date of this Act. A juvenile court proceeding that began before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.