

SUBJECT: Removal of personal effects when a protective order is issued

COMMITTEE: Juvenile Justice and Family Issues — favorable, with amendment

VOTE: 5 ayes — Goodman, Brady, De La Garza, Naishtat, Van de Putte
0 nays
4 absent — Cook, H. Cuellar, Puente, Williamson

WITNESSES: For — Jack Tucker, Texas Fathers Alliance; Robert L. Green Jr., Primary Nurturing Fathers of Texas and Texas Fathers Alliance.
Against — None

DIGEST: HB 1817 would allow persons ordered through a protective order from a court to vacate a residence or provide another party exclusive possession of a residence to return to the home to remove their personal effects.

Such an order would have to include the terms under which the party could enter the residence and would require the party to describe the personal effects that could be removed under the order. Personal effects could not be removed from the residence after the seventh day after the date the order was issued.

The bill would take effect September 1, 1995.

NOTES: The committee amendment would define property as "personal effects."