## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

H.B. 1209 By: Goodman (Harris) Jurisprudence 4/22/1999 Engrossed

#### **DIGEST**

Currently, some language in the Family Code involving statements that appear on legal agreements, orders, and petitions may need technical changes to create uniformity in their appearance. H.B. 1209 would require these statements to appear in boldfaced type, with all capital letters, or be underlined in a document.

# **PURPOSE**

As proposed, H.B. 1209 clarifies certain provisions and other technical corrections in the Family Code.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 6.404(b), Family Code, to require a statement prescribed by Subsection (a) to be prominently displayed, rather than printed, in boldfaced type or capital letters or be underlined and be signed by the party.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 6.602(b), Family Code, to delete text regarding a separate paragraph. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 85.026, Family Code, to make conforming and nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 4. Amends Section 102.0085(b), Family Code, to make conforming changes.

SECTION 5. Amends Sections 105.006(d) and (e), Family Code, to make conforming and nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 6. Amends Section 152.005(b), Family Code, to provide that each party whose rights and duties, rather than privileges and powers, may be affected by the action is entitled to receive notice.

SECTION 7. Amends Section 153.0071(d), Family Code, to make conforming and nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 8. Amends Section 155.101(a), Family Code, to make conforming changes.

SECTION 9. Amends Section 156.003, Family Code, to make conforming changes.

SECTION 10. Amends Section 156.301, Family Code, to make conforming changes.

SECTION 11. Amends Section 232.006(c), Family Code, to make conforming changes.

SECTION 12. Amends Section 234.102, Family Code, to add a new heading, as follows:

Sec. 234.102. New heading: OPERATION OF NEW HIRE DIRECTORY.

SECTION 13. Amends Section 234.103, Family Code, to add a new heading, as follows:

Sec. 234.103. New heading: CONTRACTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.

SECTION 14. Amends Section 234.104, Family Code, to add a new heading, as follows:

Sec. 234.104. New heading: PROCEDURES.

SECTION 15. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 16. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.