

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 980  
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Jurisprudence  
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Engrossed

### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

There has been confusion in the courts regarding Subchapter A, Section 162.001 of the Family Code in regards to the adoption of children ages two and up. H.B. 980 authorizes a child residing in this state to be adopted under certain circumstances.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 162.001(b), Family Code, to move the placement of the phrase “is the child’s former stepparent” within Subdivision (3) and delete Subdivision (4).

SECTION 2. (a) Effective date: September 1, 2003.

(b) Makes application of this Act prospective.