
DIGEST

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HB 343 Engrossed

2017 Regular Session

Franklin

Abstract: Amends Children's Code Articles regarding termination of parental rights to make technical corrections, and provides relative to grounds for termination when the child is conceived as a result of a sex offense.

Present law includes numerous articles of the Children's Code which reference Article 1015 of the Children's Code.

Proposed law makes technical corrections to these articles to reflect the changes made to Children's Code Article 1015 from the 2016 Regular Session.

Present law, regarding termination of parental rights, authorizes the victim of a sex offense who is the custodial parent to petition to terminate the rights of a perpetrator of a sex offense.

Proposed law removes the requirement that the victim of the sex offense be the custodial parent in order to petition to terminate the rights of the perpetrator of the sex offense.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends Ch.C. Arts. 1004(B), (D), (F), and (I), 1035(B), 1036(C)(intro. para.), (D)(intro. para.), and (E), and 1036.2(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill:

1. Eliminates the requirement that the victim of the sex offense be the custodial parent in order to petition to terminate the parental rights of the perpetrator of the sex offense.