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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2019 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to Reengrossed House Bill No. 254 by Representative Leger

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete line 17 through 20, and insert the following:

3 " B.(1) If an award of joint custody is made to a parent and non-parent, an individual  
4 may petition the court to have the custody award modified. The individual seeking  
5 modification shall have the burden of proof of establishing by clear and convincing  
6 evidence all of the following:

7 (a) That a material change in circumstances has occurred.

8 (b) That modification is in the best interest of the child.

9 (c) That the benefits of the change in custody outweigh the damages that will be  
10 done to the child.

11 (2) The court shall consider the parent's paramount right to custody as a factor in the  
12 best interest determination pursuant to Subparagraph (1)(b) of this Subsection."

13 AMENDMENT NO. 2

14 On page 2, delete lines 1 and 2