
DIGEST

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HB No. 445

Abstract: Provides for who may petition for an intrafamily adoption.

Present law (Ch.C. Art. 1243) specifies who may petition for an intrafamily adoption to include several categories of family relationships and the requirements thereunder, provides that if one joint petitioner dies the adoption proceedings may continue in the name of the survivor, and defines a parent recognized as having parental rights.

Proposed law retains much of present law but changes the requirement that the petitioner be related through a child's parent having parental rights to the requirement that the petitioner be related to the child's mother or father who is filiated to the child.

Proposed law repeals the definition of a "parent recognized as having parental rights".

(Amends Ch.C. Arts. 1243(A)(1); Repeals Ch.C. Art. 1243(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Deleted all provisions relative to conducting a background check as part of the adoption process.