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AN ACT

relating to clarification of the request for findings when order varies from standard order when possession of a child by a parent is contested in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1: Sec. 153.258. REQUEST FOR FINDINGS WHEN ORDER VARIES FROM STANDARD ORDER is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 2: Sec. 153.258. ~~REQUEST FOR FINDINGS WHEN ORDER VARIES FROM STANDARD~~ FOR ORDERS. Without regard to Rules 296 through 299, Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, in all cases in which possession of a child by a parent is contested and the possession of the child varies from the standard possession order, ~~on written request made or filed with the court not later than 10 days after the date of the hearing or on oral request made in open court during the hearing,~~ the court shall state in the order the specific reasons for the ~~variancee~~ variance from the standard order.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

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SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.