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H.B. No. 927

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

# 1 AN ACT

2 relating to the possession of a child less than three years of age  
3 in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 153.254(a), Family Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7                   (a) The court may [~~shall~~] render an order appropriate under  
8 the circumstances for possession of a child less than three years of  
9 age if the court finds that possession of the child by the  
10 conservator with whom the child does not primarily reside is in the  
11 best interest of the child.

12 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a  
13 suit affecting the parent-child relationship that is pending in a  
14 trial court on the effective date of this Act or that is filed on or  
15 after the effective date of this Act.

16 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.