

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 12, Page 3, the first occurrence of section
2 211.071, Line 72, by deleting the word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "[and]"; and

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4 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 73, by inserting after the word "certification" the
5 following:

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7 "; and

8 (11) Any other relevant factors including, but not limited to, support systems,
9 developmental status, home environment, mental health status, and socioeconomic status of the
10 child"; and

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12 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 74, by inserting after the number "8." the following:

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14 "The court shall appoint a licensed clinical social worker to complete an assessment
15 consistent with the provisions of section 211.161 that evaluates the physical and psychological
16 condition of the child. The licensed clinical social worker shall testify at the certification hearing
17 and the court shall consider the testimony when evaluating the criteria under subsection 7 of this
18 section.

19 9. At any certification hearing authorized under subsection 1 of this section, the child shall
20 have the right to testify, but shall not be required to testify. The child may also present expert
21 testimony."; and

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23 Further amend said bill and section, Pages 3-4, by renumbering subsequent subsections accordingly;
24 and

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26 Further amend said bill, Page 6, the second occurrence of section 211.071, Line 69, by deleting the
27 word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "[and]"; and

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29 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 70, by inserting after the word "certification" the
30 following:

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32 "; and

33 (11) Any other relevant factors including, but not limited to, support systems,
34 developmental status, home environment, mental health status, and socioeconomic status of the
35 child"; and

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Action Taken _____ Date _____

1 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 81, by inserting after the number "9." the following:

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3 "The court shall appoint a licensed clinical social worker to complete an assessment
4 consistent with the provisions of section 211.161 that evaluates the physical and psychological
5 condition of the child. The licensed clinical social worker shall testify at the certification hearing
6 and the court shall consider the testimony when evaluating the criteria under subsection 7 of this
7 section.

8 10. At any certification hearing authorized under subsection 1 of this section, the child shall
9 have the right to testify, but shall not be required to testify. The child may also present expert
10 testimony."; and

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12 Further amend said bill and section, Pages 6-7, by renumbering subsequent subsections accordingly;
13 and

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15 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
16 accordingly.