

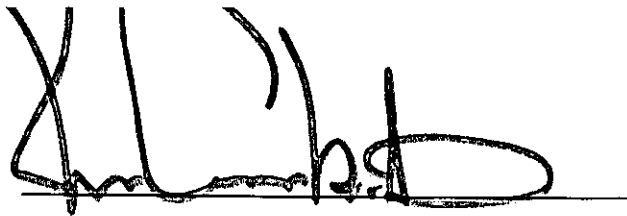
1 AN ACT
2 relating to the payment of child support to an individual with
3 actual primary possession of the child.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 156.409(a), Family Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (a) If the sole managing conservator of a child or the joint
8 managing conservator who has the exclusive right to determine the
9 primary residence of the child has voluntarily relinquished the
10 primary care and possession of the child to another person for at
11 least six months, the court shall, on the motion of a party or the
12 other person having physical possession of the child, [~~may~~] modify
13 an order providing for the support of the child to provide that the
14 other person having physical possession of the child shall have the
15 right to receive and give receipt for payments of support for the
16 child and to hold or disburse money for the benefit of the child.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.



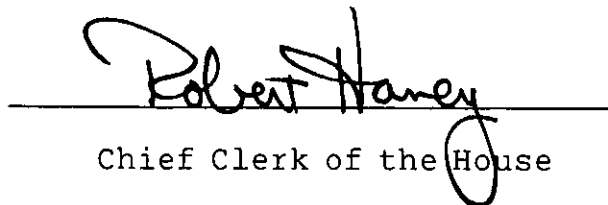
President of the Senate

H.B. No. 2231



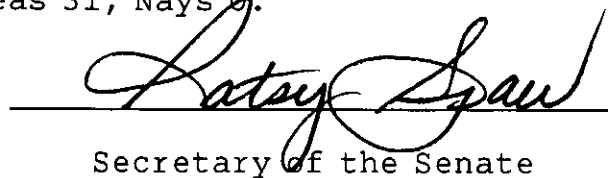
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2231 was passed by the House on April 14, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.



Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2231 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.



Secretary of the Senate

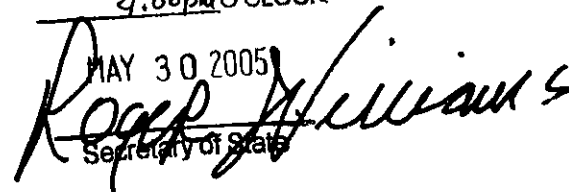
APPROVED: 30 MAY 05

Date



Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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Secretary of State