

CHAPTER 45

S.B. No. 120

An Act relating to an extension of the jurisdiction of the Texas Youth Commission to a person under the age of 21; amending Subdivision (5) of Section 61.001 and Section 61.084 of the Human Resources Code and Subsection (b) of Section 54.05 of the Family Code.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subdivision (5), Section 61.001, Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(5) ‘Delinquent child’ means a child 10 years old or older and under 21 years old who is committed to the commission under Title 3, ~~[adjudged to be a delinquent child under Section 54.03 of the]~~ Family Code.”

SECTION 2. Section 61.084, Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

“Section 61.084. **TERMINATION OF CONTROL.** The commission shall discharge from its custody a person ~~[child]~~ not already discharged on his or her 21st ~~[18th]~~ birthday.”

SECTION 3. Subsection (b), Section 54.05, Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(b) *Except for a commitment to the Texas Youth Commission, all ~~[A]~~ dispositions automatically terminate when the child reaches his 18th birthday.*”

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 1985, and does not apply to delinquent conduct committed before the effective date of this Act. Delinquent conduct committed before

the effective date of this Act is governed by the law as it existed on the date the conduct was committed, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 5. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed the Senate on March 4, 1985, by a viva-voce vote; passed the House on April 10, 1985, by a non-record vote.

Approved: April 25, 1985

Effective: September 1, 1985