CHAPTER 202

H.B. No. 600

AN ACT

relating to the monthly charge by a domestic relations office from each managing and possessory conservator for whom the office provides services.

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

SECTION 1. Section 151.008(a), Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) The commissioners court of a county may authorize a domestic relations office to assess and collect:
 - (1) a filing fee of not more than \$5 for each suit filed in the county for the dissolution of a marriage or affecting the parent-child relationship;
 - (2) attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the office in enforcing an order for child support or visitation against the party found to be in violation of the order;
 - (3) an application fee from a person requesting services from the office; and
 - (4) a monthly charge of not more than \$2 [\$1] from each managing and possessory conservator to fund any of the services provided by [for whom] the office [provides services].

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1993.

SECTION 3. 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 by the House on April 1, 1993, by a non-record vote; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 600 on May 10, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on April 30, 1993: Yeas 28, Nays 0.

Approved May 19, 1993.

Effective Sept. 1, 1993.