CHAPTER 411

S.B. No. 588

AN ACT

relating to the designation of responsibility for the transporting of juvenile offenders.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 52, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 52.026 to read as follows:

Sec. 52.026. RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRANSPORTING JUVENILE OFFENDERS. (a) It shall be the duty of the law enforcement officer who has taken a child into custody to transport the child to the appropriate juvenile detention facility if the child is not released to the parent, quardian, or custodian of the child.

- (b) If the juvenile detention facility is located outside the county in which the child is taken into custody, it shall be the duty of the sheriff of that county to transport the child to the appropriate juvenile detention facility if the child is not released to the parent, guardian, or custodian of the child.
- (c) On adoption of an order by the juvenile board and approval of the juvenile board's order by record vote of the commissioners court, it shall be the duty of the sheriff of the county in which the child is taken into custody to transport the child to and from all scheduled juvenile court proceedings and appearances and other activities ordered by the inventile court.
- SECTION 2. 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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on April 21, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House on May 21, 1993, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 6, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.