

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 162
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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Under current law, when petitioning to change the name of an adult, the Family Code requires that a petitioner provide the petitioner's present name and place of residence, the full name requested, the reason for the change in name, and whether petitioner has been the subject of a final felony conviction. H.B. 162 requires a legible and complete set of the petitioner's fingerprints for the Department of Public Safety and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 45.102(a), Family Code, to require a petition to change the name of an adult to be verified and include certain information, including a legible and complete set of the petitioner's fingerprints on a fingerprint card format acceptable to the Department of Public Safety and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.
Makes application of this Act prospective.