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S.B. No. 250

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the information on the supplementary birth certificate
- 3 of an adopted child.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 192.008(a), Health and Safety Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (a) The supplementary birth certificate of an adopted child
- 8 must be in the names of \underline{both} [the] adoptive parents[, one of whom
- 9 must be a female, named as the mother, and the other of whom must be
- 10 a male, named as the father]. This subsection does not prohibit a
- 11 single individual, male or female, from adopting a child. Copies of
- 12 the child's birth certificates or birth records may not disclose
- 13 that the child is adopted.
- 14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 15 to a supplementary birth certificate issued on or after the
- 16 effective date of this Act. A supplementary birth certificate
- 17 issued before the effective date of this Act is covered by the law
- 18 in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the
- 19 former law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.