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- 1 Amend S.B. No. 2587 (house committee report) as follows:
- 2 (1) On page 19, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:
- 3 SECTION ____. Section 411.1386(a), Government Code, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 (a) Except as provided by Subsections (a-1) and (a-6), the
- 6 clerk of the county having venue over a proceeding for the
- 7 appointment of a guardian under Title 3, Estates Code, shall, based
- 8 on information provided in an application filed under Section
- 9 1101.001, Estates Code, obtain criminal history record information
- 10 as provided by Subsection (a-7) that relates to any person, other
- 11 than an attorney or a person who is a certified guardian, proposed
- 12 to serve as a guardian under Title 3, Estates Code, including:
- 13 <u>(1)</u> a proposed temporary guardian;
- 14 (2) [7] a proposed successor guardian; or
- 15 (3) [7] any person who will have care and custody of
- 16 [contact with] the proposed ward or the proposed ward's estate on
- 17 behalf of the proposed guardian and who is not otherwise required
- 18 to submit to a criminal background check under this section [au
- 19 other than an attorney or a certified guardian].
- 20 (2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the
- 21 bill:
- 22 SECTION ___. Section 1101.001(b), Estates Code, is amended
- 23 to read as follows:
- 24 (b) The application must be sworn to by the applicant and
- 25 state:

- 1 (1) the proposed ward's name, sex, date of birth, and
- 2 address;
- 3 (2) the name, former name, if any, relationship, and
- 4 address of the person the applicant seeks to have appointed as
- 5 guardian;
- 6 (3) whether guardianship of the person or estate, or
- 7 both, is sought;
- 8 (3-a) whether alternatives to guardianship and
- 9 available supports and services to avoid guardianship were
- 10 considered;
- 11 (3-b) whether any alternatives to guardianship and
- 12 supports and services available to the proposed ward considered
- 13 are feasible and would avoid the need for a guardianship;
- 14 (4) the nature and degree of the alleged incapacity,
- 15 the specific areas of protection and assistance requested, and the
- 16 limitation or termination of rights requested to be included in
- 17 the court's order of appointment, including a termination of:
- 18 (A) the right of a proposed ward who is 18 years
- 19 of age or older to vote in a public election;
- 20 (B) the proposed ward's eligibility to hold or
- 21 obtain a license to operate a motor vehicle under Chapter 521,
- 22 Transportation Code; and
- (C) the right of a proposed ward to make personal
- 24 decisions regarding residence;
- 25 (5) the facts requiring the appointment of a guardian;
- 26 (6) the interest of the applicant in the appointment of
- 27 a guardian;

- 1 (7) the nature and description of any kind of
- 2 guardianship existing for the proposed ward in any other state;
- 3 (8) to enable a criminal history record information
- 4 background check to be obtained on the person, the name, [and]
- 5 address, phone number, and date of birth, if applicable, of any
- 6 person [or institution] having the care and custody of the proposed
- 7 ward or the proposed ward's estate;
- 8 (9) the approximate value and a detailed description of
- 9 the proposed ward's property, including:
- 10 (A) liquid assets, including any compensation,
- 11 pension, insurance, or allowance to which the proposed ward may be
- 12 entitled; and
- 13 (B) non-liquid assets, including real property;
- 14 (10) the name and address of any person whom the
- 15 applicant knows to hold a power of attorney signed by the proposed
- , 16 ward and a description of the type of power of attorney;
 - 17 (11) for a proposed ward who is a minor, the following
- 18 information if known by the applicant:
- 19 (A) the name of each of the proposed ward's
- 20 parents and either the parent's address or that the parent is
- 21 deceased;
- 22 (B) the name and age of each of the proposed ward's
- 23 siblings, if any, and either the sibling's address or that the
- 24 sibling is deceased; and
- 25 (C) if each of the proposed ward's parents and
- 26 adult siblings are deceased, the names and addresses of the
- 27 proposed ward's other living relatives who are related to the

- 1 proposed ward within the third degree by consanguinity and who are
- 2 adults;
- 3 (12) for a proposed ward who is a minor, whether the
- 4 minor was the subject of a legal or conservatorship proceeding in
- 5 the preceding two years and, if so:
- 6 (A) the court involved;
- 7 (B) the nature of the proceeding; and
- 8 (C) any final disposition of the proceeding;
- 9 (13) for a proposed ward who is an adult, the following
- 10 information if known by the applicant:
- 11 (A) the name of the proposed ward's spouse, if
- 12 any, and either the spouse's address or that the spouse is
- 13 deceased;
- 14 (B) the name of each of the proposed ward's
- 15 parents and either the parent's address or that the parent is
- 16 deceased;
- 17 . (C) the name and age of each of the proposed ward's
- 18 siblings, if any, and either the sibling's address or that the
- 19 sibling is deceased;
- 20 (D) the name and age of each of the proposed ward's
- 21 children, if any, and either the child's address or that the child
- 22 is deceased; and
- 23 (E) if there is no living spouse, parent, adult
- 24 sibling, or adult child of the proposed ward, the names and
- 25 addresses of the proposed ward's other living relatives who are
- 26 related to the proposed ward within the third degree by
- 27 consanguinity and who are adults;

- 1 (14) facts showing that the court has venue of the
- 2 proceeding; and
- 3 (15) if applicable, that the person whom the applicant
- 4 seeks to have appointed as a guardian is a private professional
- 5 guardian who is certified under Subchapter C, Chapter 155,
- 6 Government Code, and has complied with the requirements of
- 7 Subchapter G, Chapter 1104.
- 8 SECTION ___. The heading to Section 1104.402, Estates Code,
- 9 is amended to read as follows:
- 10 Sec. 1104.402. [COURT CLERK'S] DUTY TO OBTAIN CRIMINAL
- 11 HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION; AUTHORITY TO CHARGE FEE.
- 12 SECTION ____. Section 1104.402, Estates Code, is amended by
- 13 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as
- 14 follows:
- 15 (a) Except as provided by Section 1104.404 or 1104.406(a),
- 16 the clerk of the county having venue of the proceeding for the
- 17 appointment of a guardian shall, based on information provided in
- 18 an application filed under Section 1101.001, obtain criminal
- 19 history record information that is maintained by the Department of
- 20 Public Safety or the Federal Bureau of Investigation
- 21 identification division relating to any person, other than an
- 22 <u>attorney or a person who is a certified guardian,</u> proposed to serve
- 23 as a guardian under this title, including:
- 24 <u>(1)</u> a proposed temporary guardian;
- 25 (2) a proposed successor guardian; or
- 26 (3) [, or] any person who will have care and custody of
- 27 [contact with] the proposed ward or the proposed ward's estate on

- 1 behalf of the proposed guardian and who is not otherwise required
- 2 to submit to a criminal background check under this section [au
- 3 other than an attorney or a person who is a certified guardian].
- 4 (a-1) A proposed guardian who is an attorney or a certified
- 5 guardian shall provide to the court the name, address, phone
- 6 number, and date of birth of any person who will have care and
- 7 custody of the proposed ward or the proposed ward's estate on the
- 8 proposed guardian's behalf. If the person having care and custody
- 9 of the proposed ward or the proposed ward's estate on the proposed
- 10 guardian's behalf is not also a certified guardian, the clerk shall
- 11 obtain criminal history record information for that person as
- 12 specified by Subsection (a).
- SECTION ____. Section 1104.405(a), Estates Code, is amended
- 14 to read as follows:
- 15 (a) Criminal history record information obtained or provided
- 16 under Section 1104.402 or 1104.404 is privileged and confidential
- 17 and is for the exclusive use of the court. The criminal history
- 18 record information may not be released or otherwise disclosed to
- 19 any person or agency except on court order. The court may use the
- 20 criminal history record information only to determine whether to:
- 21 (1) appoint, remove, or continue the appointment of a
- 22 private professional guardian, a guardianship program, or the
- 23 Health and Human Services Commission; or
- 24 (2) appoint any person proposed to serve as a guardian
- 25 under this title, including a proposed temporary guardian, a
- 26 proposed successor guardian, or any person who will have care or
- 27 <u>custody of [contact-with]</u> the proposed ward or the proposed ward's

- 1 estate on behalf of the proposed guardian, other than an attorney
- 2 or a certified guardian.
- 3 SECTION . Subchapter A, Chapter 1151, Estates Code, is
- 4 amended by adding Section 1151.006 to read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 1151.006. GUARDIAN'S DUTY TO NOTIFY COURT OF CHANGES
- 6 CONCERNING CARE AND CUSTODY OF WARD; CLERK'S DUTY TO OBTAIN
- 7 CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION. (a) This section applies
- 8 only to a guardian who is a certified guardian or attorney and who
- 9 has designated a person to have care and custody of the ward or
- 10 the ward's estate on the guardian's behalf as provided by Section
- 11 1104.402(a-1).
- 12 (b) A guardian shall notify the court of any change
- 13 concerning the designation or contact information of a person
- 14 having care and custody of a ward or the ward's estate on the
- 15 guardian's behalf not later than the 30th day after the date the
- 16 change occurs. If, as a result of a change in designation, the
- 17 guardian wants to designate another person who will have care and
- 18 custody of the ward or the ward's estate on the guardian's behalf,
- 19 the notification must also include the name, address, phone number,
- 20 and date of birth of that other person.
- 21 (c) On receipt of notification of a change under Subsection
- 22 (b) that includes the name of a person who will have care and
- 23 custody of the ward or the ward's estate on behalf of the guardian,
- 24 the clerk of the court having jurisdiction over the proceeding
- 25 shall obtain criminal history record information that is
- 26 <u>maintained by the Department of Public Safety or the Federal Bureau</u>
- 27 of Investigation identification division relating to that person.

- 1 SECTION ___. Section 155.205(a), Government Code, is amended
- 2 to read as follows:
- 3 (a) In accordance with Subsection (c) and the rules adopted
- 4 by the supreme court under Section 155.203, the commission shall
- 5 obtain criminal history record information that is maintained by
- 6 the Department of Public Safety. The clerk shall obtain in
- 7 accordance with Subsection (b) criminal history record information
- 8 from the Federal Bureau of Investigation identification division
- 9 relating to an individual seeking appointment as a guardian or
- 10 temporary guardian, and any individual who will have care
- 11 and custody of a proposed ward or the proposed ward's estate on
- 12 behalf of a certified guardian or attorney who has been appointed
- 13 guardian as required by Section 1104.402(a-1), Estates Code.
- 14 (3) Renumber SECTIONS of the bill appropriately.