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BY: Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 293
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Simpson” and substitute “, Simpson, Pasteur, Schmidt, Simmons, Phillips, Stinnett, Nkongolo, Arikan, Taylor, Grammer, Sample-Hughes, Conaway, and Kaufman”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 25, after “(1)” insert “IF THE CHILD VICTIM TESTIFIES BY CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION, THE TESTIMONY SHALL BE GIVEN WITHIN THE COURTHOUSE IN A SETTING THAT THE COURT FINDS WILL REASONABLY MITIGATE THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE CHILD VICTIM WILL SUFFER EMOTIONAL DISTRESS.”

(2)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in lines 1, 3, and 6, strike “(2)”, “(3)”, and “(4)”, respectively, and substitute “(3)”, “(4)”, “(1)”, and “(5)”, respectively; and after line 5, insert:

“(II) THE DEFENDANT OR CHILD RESPONDENT SHALL HAVE A MEANS OF PRIVATELY COMMUNICATING ORALLY AND IN REAL TIME WITH THE ATTORNEY FOR THE DEFENDANT OR CHILD RESPONDENT WHO IS IN THE ROOM WHERE THE CHILD VICTIM IS TESTIFYING.”