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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to required posting of information regarding the office of the state long-term care ombudsman on certain long-term care facilities' Internet websites.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subtitle B, Title 4, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Chapter 260C to read as follows:

CHAPTER 260C. POSTING OF OFFICE OF STATE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN
INFORMATION BY CERTAIN FACILITIES

Sec. 260C.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "long-term care facility" means:

(1) a nursing facility licensed under Chapter 242;

(2) an assisted living facility licensed under Chapter 247; or

(3) any other facility under the jurisdiction of the state long-term care ombudsman established under Subchapter F, Chapter 101A, Human Resources Code.

Sec. 260C.002. POSTING OF OFFICE OF STATE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN INFORMATION ON INTERNET WEBSITE. A long-term care facility shall post on the facility's Internet website information about the office of the state long-term care ombudsman established under Subchapter F, Chapter 101A, Human Resources Code, including information regarding the office's:

(1) role as an advocate for residents of long-term

1 care facilities; and

2 (2) contact information.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.