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H.B. No. 37

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of parental child safety placements.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter L, Chapter 264, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 264.908 to read as follows:

Sec. 264.908. USE OF PARENTAL CHILD SAFETY PLACEMENTS. (a) Notwithstanding other law, the department shall use a parental child safety placement in each case in which the department determines it is appropriate.

(b) If the department determines that a parental child safety placement is not appropriate, the department shall record in writing in the child's case file the reasons the department determined a parental child safety placement was not appropriate.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the legislative session.