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H.B. No. 1469

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to personnel training requirements for nursing facilities  
3 and assisted living facilities that advertise an Alzheimer's care  
4 unit or memory care unit.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 242, Health and Safety  
7 Code, is amended by adding Section 242.2015 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 242.2015. TRAINING REQUIREMENT FOR FACILITY PERSONNEL  
9 PROVIDING ALZHEIMER'S CARE; PROHIBITED ADVERTISEMENT. A nursing  
10 facility may not advertise, market, or otherwise promote the  
11 facility's Alzheimer's care unit or memory care unit as providing  
12 services to residents with Alzheimer's disease and related  
13 disorders unless the facility provides the services through  
14 specially trained personnel who have successfully completed a  
15 minimum of four training hours in caring for those residents as  
16 prescribed by commission rule.

17 SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 247, Health and Safety  
18 Code, is amended by adding Section 247.0297 to read as follows:

19 Sec. 247.0297. TRAINING REQUIREMENT FOR FACILITY PERSONNEL  
20 PROVIDING ALZHEIMER'S CARE; PROHIBITED ADVERTISEMENT. An assisted  
21 living facility may not advertise, market, or otherwise promote the  
22 facility's Alzheimer's care unit or memory care unit as providing  
23 services to residents with Alzheimer's disease and related  
24 disorders unless the facility provides the services through

1  specially trained personnel who have successfully completed a  
2  minimum of four training hours in caring for those residents as  
3  prescribed by commission rule.

4 SECTION 3. Not later than December 1, 2023, the executive  
5 commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall  
6 adopt the rules necessary to implement the changes in law made by  
7 this Act.

8 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
9 advertising, marketing, or promoting conducted on or after January  
10 1, 2024.

11 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.