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H.B. No. 109

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to residential treatment facilities for certain juveniles.

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

SECTION 1. Section 554.001(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The department shall designate state facilities for use ~~[the Waco Center for Youth]~~ as ~~[a]~~ residential treatment facilities ~~[facility]~~ for emotionally disturbed juveniles who:

(1) have been admitted under Subtitle C to a facility of the department; or

(2) are under the managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services and have been admitted under Subtitle C to a state facility designated by the department under this section ~~[the Waco Center for Youth]~~.

SECTION 2. Section 554.002, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 554.002. SERVICES. (a) The department shall provide without charge appropriate education services for all clients residing at state facilities designated by the department under Section 554.001 ~~[the Waco Center for Youth]~~.

(b) The department shall pay for the ~~[those]~~ services described by Subsection (a) from funds appropriated ~~[to the center]~~ for that purpose.

(c) A client of a state facility designated by the
department under Section 554.001 ~~[the center]~~ who is not a resident
of the school district that serves the geographical area in which
the facility is located ~~[Waco Independent School District]~~ may
receive education services from the district ~~[Waco Independent~~
~~School District]~~ only with the prior approval of the superintendent
of the district.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.