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H.B. No. 2429

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2429:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to construction standards for certain assisted living  
3 facilities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 247.030(b), Health and Safety Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The board shall adopt minimum standards for an assisted  
8 living facility classified under this section, including standards  
9 imposing adequate requirements relating to medication supervision.  
10 The board shall modify accessibility and life safety code standards  
11 generally applicable to a facility licensed under this chapter as  
12 necessary for a facility classified under this section to reflect  
13 the level of services provided by the facility. The modified  
14 standards must be specifically defined by the board and must  
15 provide for two-story buildings. Two-story buildings must meet all  
16 life safety code requirements in regards to protecting vertical  
17 openings, as specified in the 1988 edition of the National Fire  
18 Protection Association (NFPA) 101, Section 21-2.3.1. An existing  
19 building that is converted to a large Type B assisted living  
20 facility, as classified by the board, must conform to the edition  
21 of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 101 that is  
22 designated by the department.

23 SECTION 2. An assisted living facility is not required to  
24 comply with Section 247.030(b), Health and Safety Code, as amended

1 by this Act, before September 1, 2004.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.