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AN ACT

relating to reporting requirements for convalescent and nursing homes and related institutions.

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

SECTION 1. Section 242.403, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(b) The department may require an institution to submit information to the department, including Minimum Data Set Resident Assessments, necessary to ensure the quality of care in institutions. Information submitted to the department that identifies a resident of an institution is confidential and not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Government Code.

(c) The department may adopt standards in addition to those required by Subsection (a) to implement Sections 242.401 and 242.402.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.