

AN ACT

relating to a residential infant care program for mothers confined in Texas Department of Criminal Justice facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 501, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 501.022 to read as follows:

Sec. 501.022. INFANT CARE AND PARENTING. The department shall implement a residential infant care and parenting program for mothers who are confined by the department. To the extent practicable, the department shall model the program after the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Mothers and Infants Together program operated under contract in Fort Worth.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 199 was passed by the House on May 9, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 133, Nays 3, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 199 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor