

By: Thompson

H.B. No. 918

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 918:

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C.S.H.B. No. 918

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to duties of certain health care facilities in relation to  
3 residents who are sex offenders.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 242, Health and Safety  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 242.018 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 242.018. SEX OFFENDER STATUS OF RESIDENTS. Not later  
8 than the third day after the date a person begins to reside in an  
9 institution, by using the Internet website maintained by the  
10 Department of Public Safety that contains the sex offender  
11 database, the institution shall determine whether the person is  
12 required to register under Chapter 62, Code of Criminal Procedure.  
13 If the institution determines that the person is required to  
14 register under that chapter, the institution shall notify the  
15 Department of Public Safety that the person is a resident in the  
16 institution.

17 SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 246, Health and Safety  
18 Code, is amended by adding Section 246.008 to read as follows:

19 Sec. 246.008. SEX OFFENDER STATUS OF RESIDENTS. Not later  
20 than the third day after the date a person begins to reside in a  
21 facility, by using the Internet website maintained by the  
22 Department of Public Safety that contains the sex offender  
23 database, the facility shall determine whether the person is  
24 required to register under Chapter 62, Code of Criminal Procedure.

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2 under that chapter, the facility shall notify the Department of  
3 Public Safety that the person is a resident in the facility.

4 SECTION 3. Subchapter A, Chapter 247, Health and Safety  
5 Code, is amended by adding Section 247.007 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 247.007. SEX OFFENDER STATUS OF RESIDENTS. Not later  
7 than the third day after the date a person begins to reside in an  
8 assisted living facility, by using the Internet website maintained  
9 by the Department of Public Safety that contains the sex offender  
10 database, the assisted living facility shall determine whether the  
11 person is required to register under Chapter 62, Code of Criminal  
12 Procedure. If the facility determines that the person is required  
13 to register under that chapter, the facility shall notify the  
14 Department of Public Safety that the person is a resident in the  
15 facility.

16 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply to the  
17 admission of a resident to a convalescent or nursing home, or  
18 related institution, a continuing care facility, or an assisted  
19 living facility that occurs on or after the effective date of this  
20 Act. An admission that occurs before the effective date of this Act  
21 is governed by the law in effect on the date of the admission, and  
22 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

23 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.