

Amend SB 68 (senate engrossment) in SECTION 4 of the bill, by striking amended Section 42.042(i), Human Resources Code (page 9, lines 19 through 25), and substituting the following:

(i) Before adopting minimum standards, the department shall:

(1) convene a temporary work group to advise the department regarding the proposed standards, composed of at least six members who represent the diverse geographic regions of this state, including:

(A) a department official designated by the commissioner to facilitate the work group's activities;

(B) a person with demonstrated expertise or knowledge regarding the different types and classifications of child-care facilities, homes, agencies, or programs that will be covered by the proposed standards;

(C) a parent with experience related to one of the different types or classifications of child-care facilities, homes, agencies, or programs that will be covered by the proposed standards; and

(D) a representative of a nonprofit entity licensed under Chapter 42; and

(2) [~~present the proposed standards to the State Advisory Committee on Child-Care Facilities for review and comment, and shall~~] send a copy of the proposed standards to each licensee covered by the proposed standards at least 60 days before the standards take effect to provide the licensee an opportunity to review and to send written suggestions to [~~the committee and~~] the department.