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         and Human Services; May 11, 2009, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8,
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         COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 392
                                                                                            By: Deuell
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                                            A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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                                                      AN ACT
         relating to the availability and use of automated external defibrillators in nursing homes and related institutions.
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                  BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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         SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 242, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 242.159 to read as follows:
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                  Sec. 242.159. AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS. (a)
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         institution shall have available for use at the institution an
         automated external defibrillator, as defined by Section 779.001,
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         and shall comply with the training, use, and notification requirements of Chapter 779.

(b) An institution that does not have funds available for
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         purposes of Subsection (a) may solicit gifts, grants, or donations
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         to purchase or maintain an automated external defibrillator for use
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         at the institution.
         (c) An institution may not use an automated external defibrillator to treat a resident of the institution who has issued
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         or executed an out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate order under
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         Subchapter C, Chapter 166.
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         (d) Notwithstanding Section 74.151(b), Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 74.151(a), Civil Practice and Remedies Code, applies to administration of emergency care using an automated
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         external defibrillator by an employee or volunteer at an
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         institution.
         (e) An institution shall employ at least one person who is trained in the proper use of an automated external defibrillator.

(e-1) An institution is not required to comply with Subsections (a) and (e) until September 1, 2012. This subsection
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         expires January 1, 2013.
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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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