

1-1 By: Parker, Button (Senate Sponsor - Nelson) H.B. No. 2224  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 15, 2009;  
1-3 May 18, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Health  
1-4 and Human Services; May 22, 2009, reported adversely, with  
1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
1-6 Nays 0; May 22, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2224 By: Nelson

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the minimum standards for licensed child-care  
1-11 facilities and registered family homes.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as Paisley's Law.

1-14 SECTION 2. Section 42.042(e), Human Resources Code, is  
1-15 amended to read as follows:

1-16 (e) The department shall promulgate minimum standards that  
1-17 apply to licensed child-care facilities and to registered family  
1-18 homes covered by this chapter and that will:

1-19 (1) promote the health, safety, and welfare of  
1-20 children attending a facility or registered family home;

1-21 (2) promote safe, comfortable, and healthy physical  
1-22 facilities and registered family homes for children;

1-23 (3) ensure adequate supervision of children by  
1-24 capable, qualified, and healthy personnel;

1-25 (4) ensure adequate and healthy food service where  
1-26 food service is offered;

1-27 (5) prohibit racial discrimination by child-care  
1-28 facilities and registered family homes;

1-29 (6) require procedures for parental and guardian  
1-30 consultation in the formulation of children's educational and  
1-31 therapeutic programs; ~~and~~

1-32 (7) prevent the breakdown of foster care and adoptive  
1-33 placement; and

1-34 (8) ensure that a child-care facility or registered  
1-35 family home follows the written directives from a child's physician  
1-36 or other health care professional licensed under the Occupations  
1-37 Code when providing specialized medical assistance required by the  
1-38 child.

1-39 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-43 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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