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H.B. No. 434

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(4) ensure adequate and healthy food service where food service is offered;

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

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

(7) prevent the breakdown of foster care and adoptive

1 placement; and

2 (8) ensure that a child-care facility or registered  
3 family home:

4 (A) follows the directions of a child's physician  
5 or other health care provider in providing specialized medical  
6 assistance required by the child; and

7 (B) maintains for a reasonable time a copy of any  
8 directions from the physician or provider that the parent provides  
9 to the facility or home.

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
14 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.