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H.B. No. 434

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

24 (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 follows the directions of a child's physician or other
4 health care provider in providing specialized medical assistance
5 required by the child.

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