

AN ACT

relating to the notice provided to a foster parent before a change in a child's foster care placement.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 264, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 264.119 to read as follows:

Sec. 264.119. NOTICE OF CHANGE OF PLACEMENT. (a) In this section, "residential child-care facility" and "child-placing agency" have the meanings assigned by Section 42.002, Human Resources Code.

(b) Except in the case of an emergency or as otherwise provided by a court order or agreed to by a residential child-care facility or child-placing agency, the department must provide written notice to the residential child-care facility and any child-placing agency involved with a child before the department may change the child's residential child-care facility.

(c) The department must provide the notice required under Subsection (b) at least 48 hours before the residential child-care facility is changed.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 807 was passed by the House on May 5, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 807 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor