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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to training for employees and operators of certain
1-9 child-care facilities.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 42.0421, Human Resources Code, is
1-12 amended by adding Subsections (f) and (g) to read as follows:

1-13 (f) The training required by this section must be
1-14 appropriately targeted and relevant to the age of the children who
1-15 will receive care from the individual receiving training and must
1-16 be provided by a person who:

1-17 (1) is a training provider registered with the Texas
1-18 Early Care and Education Career Development System's Texas Trainer
1-19 Registry that is maintained by the Texas Head Start State
1-20 Collaboration Office;

1-21 (2) is an instructor at a public or private secondary
1-22 school or at a public or private institution of higher education, as
1-23 defined by Section 61.801, Education Code, who teaches early
1-24 childhood development or another relevant course, as determined by
1-25 rules adopted by the commissioner of education and the commissioner
1-26 of higher education;

1-27 (3) is an employee of a state agency with relevant
1-28 expertise;

1-29 (4) is a physician, psychologist, licensed
1-30 professional counselor, social worker, or registered nurse;

1-31 (5) holds a generally recognized credential or
1-32 possesses documented knowledge relevant to the training the person
1-33 will provide;

1-34 (6) is a registered family home care provider or
1-35 director of a day-care center or group day-care home in good
1-36 standing with the department, if applicable, and who:

1-37 (A) has demonstrated core knowledge in child
1-38 development and caregiving; and

1-39 (B) is only providing training at the home or
1-40 center in which the provider or director and the person receiving
1-41 training are employed; or

1-42 (7) has at least two years of experience working in
1-43 child development, a child development program, early childhood
1-44 education, a childhood education program, or a Head Start or Early
1-45 Head Start program and:

1-46 (A) has been awarded a Child Development
1-47 Associate (CDA) credential; or

1-48 (B) holds at least an associate's degree in child
1-49 development, early childhood education, or a related field.

1-50 (g) A person described by Subsection (f)(6) may provide
1-51 training under this section only if the department has not taken an
1-52 action under Section 42.071, 42.072, or 42.078, other than an
1-53 evaluation, against the license, listing, or registration of the
1-54 person or the home or center for which the person is a provider or
1-55 director during the two-year period preceding the date on which the
1-56 person provides the training.

1-57 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect January 1, 2012.

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