

1-1 By: Naishtat (Senate Sponsor - West) H.B. No. 1741
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 22, 2013;
 1-3 April 22, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Health
 1-4 and Human Services; May 17, 2013, reported adversely, with
 1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7,
 1-6 Nays 1; May 17, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1741 By: West

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to requiring child safety alarms in certain vehicles used
 1-22 by child-care facilities to transport children.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 42, Human Resources Code,
 1-25 is amended by adding Section 42.0424 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 42.0424. CHILD SAFETY ALARMS IN VEHICLES. (a) In this
 1-27 section, "electronic child safety alarm" means an alarm system that
 1-28 prompts the driver of a vehicle to inspect the vehicle to determine
 1-29 whether children are in the vehicle before the driver exits the
 1-30 vehicle.

1-31 (b) A licensed day-care center shall equip each vehicle
 1-32 owned or leased by the facility with an electronic child safety
 1-33 alarm if the vehicle is:

- 1-34 (1) designed to seat eight or more persons; and
- 1-35 (2) used to transport children under the care of the
 1-36 facility.

1-37 (c) The licensed day-care center shall ensure that the
 1-38 electronic child safety alarm is properly maintained and used when
 1-39 transporting children.

1-40 (d) The department shall adopt rules to implement this
 1-41 section.

1-42 (e) This section applies only to a vehicle purchased or
 1-43 leased on or after December 31, 2013.

1-44 SECTION 2. Section 42.0424, Human Resources Code, as added
 1-45 by this Act, applies to a vehicle purchased or leased on or after
 1-46 the effective date of this Act. A vehicle purchased or leased
 1-47 before the effective date of this Act shall comply with the
 1-48 requirements of Section 42.0424, Human Resources Code, as added by
 1-49 this Act, not later than December 31, 2014.

1-50 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect December 31, 2013.

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