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H.B. No. 3729

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to licensing requirements for newly constructed assisted living facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 247.021(g), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(g) The department shall, upon submission of a written request by the applicant, automatically issue a six-month provisional license without conducting a life safety code inspection before issuance of the license to a newly constructed facility if:

(1) the facility is in compliance with resident care standards;

(2) all local approvals have been obtained;

(3) a reasonably complete license application is submitted within 30 days of receipt of all local approvals;

(4) the license fee has been paid;

(5) before beginning construction, the license applicant submits working drawings and specifications to the department for review; and

(6) the department determines that the license applicant or a controlling person of the license applicant constructed another facility in this state that complies with the department's life safety code standards.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.