By: Coleman (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte) H.B. No. 3729 1-1 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2013; May 7, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services; May 15, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 15, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Nelson	Х			
1-9	Deuell	Х			
1-10	Huffman	Х			
1-11	Nichols	Х			
1-12	Schwertner			X	
1-13	Taylor	X			
1-14	Uresti	Χ			
1-15	West	X			
1-16	Zaffirini	Х			

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1-19 relating to licensing requirements for newly constructed assisted 1-20 living facilities. 1-21

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 <u>six-month</u> provisional license <u>without conducting a life safety code</u> inspection before issuance of the provisional license to a newly constructed facility if:
- (1) the license applicant has submitted building plans to the department for an early compliance review in accordance with Section 247.0261 [facility is in compliance with resident care standards];
- all local approvals, including a certificate of occupancy where required, have been obtained;
- (3) a complete license application <u>form</u> is submitted within 30 days of receipt of all local approvals;
  - (4)the license fee has been paid;
- (5) [before beginning construction, the license submits working drawings and specifications to the department for review; and
- [(6)] the department determines that the license applicant or a person who owns the license applicant and controls the operations of the license applicant constructed another facility in this state that complies with the department's life safety code standards; and
- (6) the facility is in compliance with resident care standards based on an on-site health inspection.

  SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013. 1-46 1-47

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