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S.B. No. 428

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to background and criminal history checks for parents or
3 other relatives of children in residential child-care facilities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 42.056, Human Resources Code, is amended
6 by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

7 (a-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the director, owner,
8 or operator of a residential child-care facility is not required to
9 submit to the department the information required under that
10 subsection for use in conducting a background and criminal history
11 check on a parent or other relative of a child who is a client in
12 care at the facility if:

13 (1) the department has on file for the parent or
14 relative a background and criminal history check; and

15 (2) the background and criminal history check was
16 conducted within the two-year period preceding the date the parent
17 or relative visits the client at the facility.

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