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S.B. No. 1119

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to certain staff-to-child ratios applicable to nonresidential child-care facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.042, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Subsection (m-1) to read as follows:

(m-1) In determining the minimum standards relating to staff-to-child ratios applicable to nonresidential child-care facilities that provide care for less than 24 hours a day, the department may not establish a staff-to-child ratio that exceeds:

(1) one staff member per nine children who are two years of age; and

(2) one staff member per 14 children who are three years of age.

SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2013, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall adopt any rules necessary to implement Section 42.042(m-1), Human Resources Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.