

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study and report on the establishment of a central
3 database containing information about certain individuals under
4 guardianship.

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

6 SECTION 1. (a) In this section, "incapacitated person"
7 means an adult who:

8 (1) because of a physical or mental condition, is
9 substantially unable to:

10 (A) provide food, clothing, or shelter for
11 himself or herself;

12 (B) care for the person's own physical health; or

13 (C) manage the person's own financial affairs;

14 and

15 (2) has a guardian appointed under Title 3, Estates
16 Code.

17 (b) The Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial
18 System shall conduct a study on:

19 (1) the feasibility of developing, implementing, and
20 maintaining a computerized central database that contains:

21 (A) the names of incapacitated persons; and

22 (B) for each incapacitated person, the name of
23 the guardian appointed for that person and contact information for
24 the guardian; and

1 (2) best practices for protecting the privacy of
2 incapacitated persons and the confidentiality of information
3 included in the database.

4 (c) Not later than December 1, 2016, the director of the
5 office of court administration shall provide a report on the
6 results of the study to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the
7 speaker of the house of representatives, and the appropriate
8 standing committees of the senate and the house of representatives.

9 (d) This section expires September 1, 2017.

10 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3424 was passed by the House on May 12, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3424 on May 29, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3424 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 27, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor