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H.B. No. 3794

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the availability of information regarding the
3 eligibility of persons with disabilities to use certain public
4 transportation services.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 461.009, Transportation Code, is amended
7 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

8 (c) The department shall post on the department's Internet
9 website information regarding how an individual who is eligible to
10 use a provider's services may access another provider's services
11 when the individual visits the other provider's service area. The
12 website must identify each provider's service area and provide
13 contact information for each provider.

14 SECTION 2. Chapter 461, Transportation Code, is amended by
15 adding Section 461.010 to read as follows:

16 Sec. 461.010. DATABASE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
17 FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. (a) In this section, "provider" and
18 "services" have the meanings assigned by Section 461.009.

19 (b) The department shall establish a database of all
20 individuals who are eligible to use a provider's services in this
21 state and authorize each provider in the state to access the
22 database. Each provider in the state must maintain data in the
23 database identifying each individual who resides in the provider's
24 service area and who is eligible to use the provider's services.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.