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S.B. No. 26

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to state government worksite breast-feeding policies.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 165, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 165.005 to read as follows:

Sec. 165.005. STATE GOVERNMENT "MOTHER-FRIENDLY" WORKSITE.

(a) In this section, "state agency" means a board, commission, office, department, or other agency in the executive, judicial, or legislative branch of state government, including an institution of higher education.

(b) To the extent reasonably practicable, each state agency shall develop a policy supporting the practice of worksite breast-feeding under Section 165.003 and submit its policy to the department.

(c) The department shall include each state agency that develops a policy under this section on the list of "mother-friendly" businesses under Section 165.003.

SECTION 2. A state agency shall comply with Section 165.005, Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act, not later than September 1, 2017.

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

1 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.