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H.B. No. 696

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to information included in reports on caseloads for child protective services caseworkers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 40.0528(d), Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The department shall measure the [~~In reporting information relating to~~] caseloads of child protective services caseworkers [~~7~~] in accordance with standards developed by [~~addition to reporting caseload by each individual affected by the case,~~] the department. The standards must include:

(1) the total number of children involved in the case;

(2) the type of placement for each child involved in the case;

(3) the total number of placements for the case;

(4) the level of care required for each child involved in the case;

(5) the level of department intervention and parental or family services required for the case; and

(6) the level of caseworker experience required to appropriately manage the case [~~shall report the number of cases for each caseworker on the basis of family unit~~].

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.