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H.B. No. 1901

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to creating a position of nonprofit agency services coordinator for the Department of Family and Protective Services.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 40, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Section 40.0327 to read as follows:

Sec. 40.0327. NONPROFIT AGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR. (a) The department shall designate an employee of the department as the nonprofit agency services coordinator to serve as a liaison between the department and nonprofit agencies who provide assistance to families in crisis.

(b) The nonprofit agency services coordinator shall assist nonprofit agencies in the provision of services and resources to families in crisis, including:

(1) temporary out-of-home placement of a child with a caregiver;

(2) mentoring programs, transportation, and babysitting services and providing meals and other support services;

(3) furniture, clothing, and other household items;

(4) parenting education training; and

(5) mentoring programs for young adults aging out of foster care.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.