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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2269:

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the civil liability of a hospital with a children's

- 3 isolation unit and of certain hospital employees.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Chapter 241, Health and Safety Code, is amended
- 6 by adding Subchapter K to read as follows:
- 7 SUBCHAPTER K. LIMITATION ON CIVIL LIABILITY OF HOSPITALS WITH
- 8 CHILDREN'S ISOLATION UNIT
- 9 Sec. 241.301. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "children's
- 10 <u>isolation unit" means an isolation unit in a hospital licensed</u>
- 11 under this chapter that is designed to provide health care services
- 12 to children with highly contagious infectious diseases.
- 13 Sec. 241.302. LIMITATION ON CIVIL LIABILITY OF HOSPITAL
- 14 WITH CHILDREN'S ISOLATION UNIT. A hospital with a children's
- 15 isolation unit that has instituted isolation protocols and a
- 16 physician or employee of that hospital are not liable for any claim,
- 17 damage, or loss arising from the provision of health care services
- 18 in the children's isolation unit to children with highly contagious
- 19 diseases, unless the act or omission proximately causing the claim,
- 20 <u>damage</u>, or loss constitutes gross negligence or wilful misconduct.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.