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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to standards for expulsion policies of certain child-care facilities.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter C, Chapter 42, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Section 42.0429 to read as follows:

Sec. 42.0429.  POLICY ON EXPULSION. (a) Each day-care center, group day-care home, and listed or registered family home shall review the facility's policies to determine whether the facility has adopted a policy that addresses procedures for suspending or expelling a child from the facility.

(b)  If a facility described by Subsection (a) has not adopted an expulsion policy, the facility shall consider adopting a policy that describes the procedures the facility must follow before the facility may suspend or expel a child from the facility and that includes:

(1)  the procedures facility teachers and other personnel must follow when providing care to a child with behavioral issues;

(2)  the communications facility personnel must have with the child's family and caregivers; and

(3)  any referrals facility personnel may make to behavioral health specialists who may be available to address the child's behavioral issues.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.