

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to collecting data regarding unaccompanied minors in certain child-care facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 531, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 531.0412 to read as follows:

Sec. 531.0412. DATA REGARDING UNACCOMPANIED MINORS IN CERTAIN CHILD-CARE FACILITIES. (a) In this section, "unaccompanied minor" means a child described by 6 U.S.C. Section 279(g).

(b) The commission shall collect the following statistical information for each unaccompanied minor in the care of a residential child-care facility, as defined by Section 42.002, Human Resources Code, licensed by the Department of Family and Protective Services:

(1) the child's gender;

(2) the child's age;

(3) the child's country of origin;

(4) whether the child has a disability; and

(5) whether the facility primarily provides care for children under the age of five.

(c) Identifying information about an unaccompanied minor collected under this section is confidential and is not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.