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H.B. No. 1878

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to a report on the quality of care provided to and quality  
3 of life of assisted living facility residents.

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

5 SECTION 1. (a) In this section, "commission" means the  
6 Health and Human Services Commission.

7 (b) The commission shall conduct a study of not less than 30  
8 percent of assisted living facilities licensed under Chapter 247,  
9 Health and Safety Code, to assess the quality of care provided to  
10 and quality of life of facility residents. The commission shall  
11 ensure that a broad range of facility types are included in the  
12 study.

13 (c) In conducting the study, the commission shall:

14 (1) conduct on-site case reviews of the care provided  
15 to residents of the assisted living facilities included in the  
16 study;

17 (2) review the disclosure statements and policies,  
18 including policies related to residents' rights, of the assisted  
19 living facilities included in the study; and

20 (3) conduct interviews with:

21 (A) facility residents;

22 (B) as applicable, legally authorized  
23 representatives of facility residents;

24 (C) facility personnel; and

1                   (D) any ombudsman that investigates and reviews  
2 the assisted living facilities included in the study.

3           (d) Not later than January 15, 2022, the commission shall  
4 prepare and submit to the governor, the legislature, and the  
5 executive commissioner of the commission a written report based on  
6 the study conducted under this section that, at a minimum, includes  
7 an analysis of:

8                   (1) resident demographics and the chronic health  
9 conditions of facility residents;

10                   (2) the provision to residents of person-centered  
11 care;

12                   (3) resident medication management and the delegation  
13 of responsibility to registered nurses;

14                   (4) resident care coordination and service planning;

15                   (5) the daily living activities of facility residents;

16 and

17                   (6) facility personnel.

18           (e) This section expires September 1, 2023.

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