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H.B. No. 2177

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to license terms and fees and registration and listing fees for certain child-care facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.048(f), Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f) A license must be issued if the commission [~~department~~] determines that a facility meets all requirements. The evaluation shall be based on one or more visits to the facility and a review of required forms and records. A license is valid until [~~the license expires, is~~] revoked[~~r~~] or [~~is~~] surrendered.

SECTION 2. Sections 42.054(a), (b), (c), (d), and (e), Human Resources Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The commission [~~department~~] shall charge an applicant a nonrefundable application fee in the amount of \$35 for an initial license to operate a child-care facility, a child-placing agency, or a continuum-of-care residential operation.

(b) The commission [~~department~~] shall charge each child-care facility a fee in the amount of \$35 for an initial license. The commission [~~department~~] shall charge each child-placing agency and continuum-of-care residential operation a fee in the amount of \$50 for an initial license.

(c) The commission [~~department~~] shall charge each licensed child-care facility an annual license fee in an amount equal to \$35

1 plus \$1 multiplied by the maximum number of children for whom the  
2 child-care facility is authorized to provide care. The fee is due  
3 on the date on which the commission [~~department~~] issues the  
4 child-care facility's initial license and on the anniversary of  
5 that date.

6 (d) The commission [~~department~~] shall charge each licensed  
7 child-placing agency and continuum-of-care residential operation  
8 an annual license fee in the amount of \$100. The fee is due on the  
9 date on which the commission [~~department~~] issues the initial  
10 license to the child-placing agency or continuum-of-care  
11 residential operation and on the anniversary of that date.

12 (e) The commission [~~department~~] shall charge each family  
13 home that is listed or registered with the commission [~~department~~]  
14 an annual fee to cover a part of the commission's cost in regulating  
15 family homes. The amount of the fee is \$20 for a listed home or \$35  
16 for a registered home. The fee is due on the date on which the  
17 commission [~~department~~] initially lists or registers the home and  
18 on the anniversary of that date.

19 SECTION 3. Sections 42.050 and 42.054(h), Human Resources  
20 Code, are repealed.

21 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
22 an application fee paid or license fee or registration and listing  
23 fee due on or after the effective date of this Act. An application  
24 fee paid or license fee or registration and listing fee due before  
25 that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the fee was  
26 paid or due, as applicable, and that law is continued in effect for  
27 that purpose.

1 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.