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H.B. No. 3079

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the authority to investigate abuse, neglect, or  
3 exploitation of children and adults in a residential or inpatient  
4 hospice facility.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 142.009, Health and Safety Code, is  
7 amended by adding Subsection (a-2) to read as follows:

8 (a-2) The commission shall investigate abuse, neglect, and  
9 exploitation of a client, including a child as required by Section  
10 261.401(b), Family Code, admitted to a residential or inpatient  
11 unit under this chapter.

12 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date  
13 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human  
14 Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement this  
15 Act.

16 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.