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H.B. No. 4141

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the licensing of certain child-care facilities that detain certain children.

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 42.0539 to read as follows:

Sec. 42.0539. RESIDENTIAL DETENTION FACILITIES.

Notwithstanding any other law, the commission shall:

(1) license each child-care facility, that is operated by or under a contract with United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement or the United States Department of Health and Human Services to enforce federal immigration laws and that detains unaccompanied children, in the same manner as the commission licenses a residential child-care facility under this chapter; and

(2) require the facility to comply with the same requirements, including minimum standards, applicable to a residential child-care facility.

SECTION 2. A child-care facility subject to Section 42.0539, Human Resources Code, as added by this Act, must obtain the required license not later than December 1, 2019.

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