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S.B. No. 952

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to standards for nutrition, physical activity, and screen time for certain child-care facilities and homes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.042, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Subsections (e-3) and (e-4) to read as follows:

(e-3) The minimum standards for a day-care center or a registered family home adopted under Subsection (e) must be consistent with:

(1) the most recent edition of the standards for physical activity and screen time as published by the American Academy of Pediatrics in Caring for Our Children: National Health and Safety Performance Standards; Guidelines for Early Care and Education Programs; and

(2) the nutrition standards in the Child and Adult Care Food Program administered by the Department of Agriculture.

(e-4) A day-care center or registered family home is not required to participate in or comply with the reporting requirements of the Child and Adult Care Food Program administered by the Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall adopt the rules necessary to implement the changes in law made by this Act.

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