By: Johnson S.B. No. 1448

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the licensing and regulation of a home and community
- 3 support services agency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 142.006(b), Health and Safety Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (b) A license issued under this chapter expires three [two]
- 8 years after the date of issuance. The executive commissioner by
- 9 rule may adopt a system under which licenses expire on various dates
- 10 during the three-year [two-year] period. For the year in which a
- 11 license expiration date is changed, the department shall prorate
- 12 the license fee on a monthly basis. Each license holder shall pay
- 13 only that portion of the license fee allocable to the number of
- 14 months for which the license is valid. A license holder shall pay
- 15 the total license renewal fee at the time of renewal. The
- 16 department may issue an initial license for a shorter term to
- 17 conform expiration dates for a locality or an applicant. The
- 18 department may issue a temporary license to an applicant for an
- 19 initial license.
- SECTION 2. Section 142.009(j), Health and Safety Code, is
- 21 repealed.
- 22 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date
- 23 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human
- 24 Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement the

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- 1 changes in law made by this Act.
- 2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.