

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the civil liability of a children's isolation unit in a
3 hospital.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 241, Health and Safety Code, is amended
6 by adding Subchapter L to read as follows:

7 SUBCHAPTER L. LIMITATION ON CIVIL LIABILITY OF CHILDREN'S
8 ISOLATION UNITS

9 Sec. 241.351. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "children's
10 isolation unit" means an isolation unit in a hospital licensed
11 under this chapter that is designed to provide health care services
12 to children with highly contagious infectious diseases.

13 Sec. 241.352. LIMITATION ON CIVIL LIABILITY OF CHILDREN'S
14 ISOLATION UNIT. A children's isolation unit that has instituted
15 isolation protocols is not liable for any claim, damage, or loss
16 arising from the provision of health care services to children with
17 highly contagious diseases, unless the act or omission proximately
18 causing the claim, damage, or loss constitutes gross negligence or
19 wilful misconduct.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1914 was passed by the House on May 14, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 92, Nays 51, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1914 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor