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H.B. No. 2205

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to applicability of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code to certain pools, spas, and other swimming areas.

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

SECTION 1. Section 341.0645(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The executive commissioner shall adopt by rule pool safety standards necessary to prevent drowning. The standards must:

(1) be at least as stringent as those imposed under the federal Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act (15 U.S.C. Section 8001 et seq.); and

(2) comply with a version of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, as defined by Section 214.103, Local Government Code, that is not older than the version in effect on May 1, 2019.

SECTION 2. Section 214.103(b), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) To protect the public health, safety, and welfare, the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, as it existed on May 1, 2019, is adopted as the municipal swimming pool and spa code in this state. A municipality may adopt a more recent version of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code to apply in the municipality.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.