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S.B. No. 2037

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the definition of exploitation for purposes of  
3 investigating reports of exploitation against certain elderly  
4 persons and persons with disabilities.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 48.251(b), Human Resources Code, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (b) The executive commissioner by rule shall adopt  
9 definitions of "abuse," "neglect," "exploitation," and "an  
10 individual receiving services" for purposes of this subchapter and  
11 investigations conducted under this subchapter. The definition of  
12 "exploitation" adopted by the executive commissioner under this  
13 subsection may not exclude from the definition as an act of  
14 exploitation the provision of a monetary or property loan made to a  
15 provider by an individual receiving services from that provider.

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