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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the evaluation of child-care providers participating in the Texas Rising Star Program.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 2308.3155, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (b-3) and (b-4) to read as follows:

(b-3)  When determining the provider's rating under the rating system adopted under Subsection (b), the commission shall consider:

(1)  comments from caregivers employed by the child-care provider and parents of children receiving care from the provider;

(2)  information regarding any investigations by the Department of Family and Protective Services relating to the provider; and

(3)  a provider's detailed licensing information, including any reports against the provider for a violation of the minimum standards for the provider and any adverse action taken by the Health and Human Services Commission against the provider's license or registration.

(b-4)  The commission shall collaborate with the Department of Family and Protective Services and the Health and Human Services Commission to obtain the information described by Subsections (b-3)(2) and (3).

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.