By: Goodwin H.B. No. 304

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the eligibility of a relative or other designated
- 3 caregiver of a foster child for monetary assistance.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 264.760, Family Code, is amended to read
- 6 as follows:
- 7 Sec. 264.760. ELIGIBILITY FOR FOSTER CARE PAYMENTS AND
- 8 PERMANENCY CARE ASSISTANCE. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 9 this subchapter, a relative or other designated caregiver [who
- 10 becomes verified by a licensed child-placing agency to operate an
- 11 agency foster home under Chapter 42, Human Resources Code, may
- 12 <u>elect to</u> receive foster care payments in lieu of the benefits
- 13 provided by this subchapter[, beginning with the first month in
- 14 which the relative or other designated caregiver becomes licensed
- 15 or is verified].
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.