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H.B. No. 4233

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to training regarding runaway prevention for certain
3 individuals who provide care for children in the conservatorship of
4 the Department of Family and Protective Services.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 264.015, Family Code, is amended by
7 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

8 (d) Each foster parent, prospective adoptive parent, and
9 relative or other designated caregiver shall complete a training
10 program developed by the department on runaway prevention measures
11 and proper procedures in the event of a runaway event to support
12 children and youth in the conservatorship of the department at high
13 risk for running away from the child's substitute care provider.
14 This training program may be included as part of existing training
15 courses already provided by the Department of Family and Protective
16 Services.

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