A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the rights of a parent or guardian with a child in a
child-care facility.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 42, Human Resources Code,
is amended by adding Section 42.04271 to read as follows:

Sec. 42.04271. RIGHTS OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN WITH CHILD IN
CHILD-CARE FACILITY. (a) A parent or guardian of a child at a
child-care facility has the right to:

(1) enter and inspect the child-care facility during
the facility's hours of operation without advance notice;

(2) file a complaint against the child-care facility;

(3) review the child-care facility's public records;

(4) review the child-care facility's written records
concerning the child;

(5) be provided the commission's inspection reports
for the child-care facility by the child-care facility;

(6) have the child-care facility comply with a court
order preventing another individual from visiting or removing the
child;

(7) be provided the name, address, and contact
information for the commission's child-care licensing division;

(8) inspect any video recordings of an alleged
incident of abuse or neglect involving the child;
(9) obtain a copy of the child-care facility's:
   (A) policies and procedures handbook; and
   (B) staff training curriculum and records; and
(10) be free from any retaliatory action by the
child-care facility for exercising any of the parent's or
  guardian's rights.
(b) A child-care facility shall provide the parent or
  guardian of the child enrolled in the facility with a written copy
  of the rights listed in Subsection (a):
  (1) for a child originally enrolled in a facility
  before September 1, 2023, not later than September 30, 2023; or
  (2) for a child originally enrolled in a facility on or
  after September 1, 2023, not later than the child's first day at the
  facility.
SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.