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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the provision of affordable housing by certain housing authorities for youth aging out of foster care.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 392, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 392.068 to read as follows:

Sec. 392.068. PRIORITY PLACEMENT FOR CERTAIN YOUTH AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE. (a) This section applies only to a housing authority located in a municipality that contains more than 70 percent of the population of a county with a population of 1.5 million or more.

(b) In providing affordable housing, a housing authority to which this section applies shall give first priority to youth aging out of foster care who reside in the authority's area of operation.

(c) A housing authority to which this section applies that manages a waitlist for the provision of affordable housing must give first priority on the waitlist to youth aging out of foster care who reside in the authority's area of operation.

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