

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Stakeholders have raised concerns that though Texas parents and guardians are currently permitted to voluntarily commit their children, treatment facilities are allowed to turn away clients. Oftentimes these denials leave parents with the impression that they are not permitted to force their child into treatment. H.B. 2035 seeks to ensure that parents are informed of their rights.

H.B. 2035 amends current law relating to notice provided by a chemical dependency treatment facility to the parent, managing conservator, or guardian of a minor refused admission to the facility.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 462.022, Health and Safety Code, by adding Subsection (e) to require a facility that refuses to admit a minor for voluntary treatment and rehabilitation under Section 462.022 (Voluntary Admission of Minor) to provide to the minor's parent, managing conservator, or guardian requesting the minor's admission to the facility written notice of the parent's, managing conservator's, or guardian's right to seek voluntary treatment and rehabilitation of the minor at another facility.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2025.