## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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## **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) requested this statutory clean-up to update outdated training requirements for long-term care facility surveyors. These requirements take away from surveyors' ability to focus on mission-critical activities, including investigations of non-compliance and abuse or neglect of vulnerable individuals.

- H.B. 2358 would repeal certain requirements related to training for long-term care facility surveyors, personnel, and Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with an Intellectual Disability (ICF-IID) program providers.
- H.B. 2358 repeals mandates for annual HHSC training on aging in place and retaliation for assisted living staff, an annual ICF-IID provider conference, and a 10-day observation period for new surveyors. This clean-up bill will enable a stronger focus on modernized training opportunities and key resources for the facilities and HHSC.
- H.B. 2358 amends current law relating to training required or offered by the Health and Human Services Commission for long-term care facility surveyors, personnel, and providers and ICF-IID program providers.

## **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. Repealer: Section 247.066(h) (relating to required annual training for surveyors, facility supervisors, and other staff), Health and Safety Code.

Repealer: Section 533A.066 (Information Relating to ICF-IID Program), Health and Safety Code.

Repealers: Sections 22.039(b-1) (relating to certain required criteria for a basic training program) and (b-2) (relating to waiving a training requirement for certain surveyors who worked in a nursing facility), Human Resources Code.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2025.