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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the definition of facility for purposes of workplace violence prevention requirements.

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

SECTION 1. Section 331.001(3), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(3) "Facility" means:

(A) a home and community support services agency licensed or licensed and certified under Chapter 142 [~~to provide home health services as defined by Section 142.001~~] that employs at least two registered nurses;

(B) a hospital licensed under Chapter 241 and a hospital maintained or operated by an agency of this state that is exempt from licensing under that chapter;

(C) a nursing facility licensed under Chapter 242 that employs at least two registered nurses;

(D) an ambulatory surgical center licensed under Chapter 243;

(E) a freestanding emergency medical care facility as defined by Section 254.001; and

(F) a mental hospital licensed under Chapter 577.

SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2026, a home and community support services agency that becomes subject to Chapter 331, Health and Safety Code, under Section 331.001, Health and

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1 Safety Code, as amended by this Act, shall comply with the  
2 requirements of that chapter.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.