

1-1 By: Hickland (Senate Sponsor - Kolkhorst) H.B. No. 3597
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2025;
1-3 May 7, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &
1-4 Human Services; May 15, 2025, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 15, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Kolkhorst	X			
1-9	Perry	X			
1-10	Blanco	X			
1-11	Cook	X			
1-12	Hall	X			
1-13	Hancock	X			
1-14	Hughes			X	
1-15	Miles	X			
1-16	Sparks	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to public hearing requirements for issuing a license for
1-20 or expanding certain residential child-care facilities.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section [42.0461](#)(a), Human Resources Code, is
1-23 amended to read as follows:

1-24 (a) Before the commission [~~department~~] may issue a license
1-25 or certificate for the operation or the expansion of the capacity of
1-26 a general residential operation, a cottage home operation, or a
1-27 continuum-of-care residential operation that is located in a county
1-28 with a population of less than 500,000 [~~300,000~~], the applicant for
1-29 the license, certificate, or expansion shall, at the applicant's
1-30 expense:

1-31 (1) conduct a public hearing on the application in
1-32 accordance with commission [~~department~~] rules after notifying the
1-33 commission [~~department~~] of the date, time, and location of the
1-34 hearing; and

1-35 (2) publish notice of the application in a newspaper
1-36 of general circulation in the community in which the child-care
1-37 services are proposed to be provided.

1-38 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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