

1-1 By: Miles S.B. No. 1138  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 6, 2025; February 24, 2025,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human  
1-4 Services; April 14, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;  
1-6 April 14, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Kolkhorst	X			
1-10	Perry	X			
1-11	Blanco	X			
1-12	Cook	X			
1-13	Hall	X			
1-14	Hancock	X			
1-15	Hughes	X			
1-16	Miles	X			
1-17	Sparks	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1138 By: Miles

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to first responder policies for emergencies occurring at a  
1-22 group home in certain municipalities and counties.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 370, Local Government Code, is amended  
1-25 by adding Section 370.010 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 370.010. GROUP HOME POLICIES IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES  
1-27 AND COUNTIES. (a) In this section, "group home" has the meaning  
1-28 assigned by Section 769.001, Health and Safety Code, as added by  
1-29 Chapter 141 (S.B. 188), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular  
1-30 Session, 2023.

1-31 (b) This section applies only to a municipality wholly or  
1-32 partly located in a county with a population of more than 300,000  
1-33 and a county with a population of more than 300,000.

1-34 (c) A municipal or county law enforcement agency, a  
1-35 municipal or county fire department, and any other municipal or  
1-36 county department providing emergency medical services shall  
1-37 develop policies to respond to an emergency occurring at a group  
1-38 home, regardless of whether the group home holds a license. In  
1-39 developing a policy under this subsection, a municipal or county  
1-40 department shall establish any procedures necessary for an  
1-41 efficient response to an emergency after considering the nature of  
1-42 group homes.

1-43 SECTION 2. It is the intent of the 89th Legislature, Regular  
1-44 Session, 2025, that the amendments made by this Act to Chapter 370,  
1-45 Local Government Code, be harmonized with another Act of the 89th  
1-46 Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, relating to nonsubstantive  
1-47 additions to and corrections in enacted codes.

1-48 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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