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S.B. No. 2583

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to residential treatment facilities for certain juveniles.

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

SECTION 1. Section 554.001(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The department shall designate facilities for use ~~[the Waco Center for Youth]~~ as [a] residential treatment facilities ~~[facility]~~ for emotionally disturbed juveniles who:

(1) have been admitted under Subtitle C to a facility of the department; or

(2) are under the managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services and have been admitted under Subtitle C to the designated facilities ~~[Waco Center for Youth]~~.

SECTION 2. Sections 554.002(a), (b), and (c), Health and Safety Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The department shall provide without charge appropriate education services for all clients residing at the designated facilities ~~[Waco Center for Youth]~~.

(b) The department shall pay for those services from funds appropriated to the designated facilities ~~[center]~~ for those purposes ~~[that purpose]~~.

(c) A client of the center who is not a resident of the local

1 school district [~~Waco Independent School District~~] may receive
2 education services from the local school district [~~Waco Independent~~
3 ~~School District~~] only with the prior approval of the superintendent
4 of the district.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.