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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the provision of services for individuals experiencing homelessness at certain locations.

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

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

Sec. 370.010. NAVIGATION SERVICES PROHIBITED IN CERTAIN AREAS. (a) In this section:

(1) "Institution of higher education," "playground," and "school" have the meanings assigned by Section 481.134, Health and Safety Code.

(2) "Navigation services" means services that assist individuals experiencing homelessness to access shelter, meals, medical care, substance abuse treatment, mental health services, employment resources, housing placement, and other services necessary for reintegration into stable living conditions.

(3) "Service provider" means a faith-based organization, nonprofit organization, or government-funded facility that provides navigation services.

(b) A municipality or county shall prohibit a service provider from providing navigation services at a location or facility within 1.5 miles of an institution of higher education, playground, or school.

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