By: Plesa H.B. No. 1160

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to providing children committed to the Texas Juvenile Justice Department with certain documents on discharge or release.

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

SECTION 1. Section 245.0536, Human Resources Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b) The department shall submit a request under Subsection (a)(2) on intake of the child [~~as soon as is practicable~~] to enable the department to receive the personal identification certificate before the department releases or discharges the child and to provide the child with the personal identification certificate when the department releases or discharges the child.

(b-1) The department may not delay the release or discharge of a child because the department has not received a personal identification certificate requested under this section.

SECTION 2. Section 245.0537, Human Resources Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b) The department shall submit a request under Subsection (a)(2) on intake of the child [~~as soon as is practicable~~] to enable the department to receive the applicable document before the department releases or discharges the child and to provide the child with the applicable document when the department releases or

discharges the child.

(b-1) The department may not delay the release or discharge of a child because the department has not received the applicable document requested under this section.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2027.