

Chapter 1031

H.B. No. 1642

1 AN ACT
2 relating to reporting requirements for investigations of abuse,
3 neglect, or exploitation against residents of certain health
4 facilities.

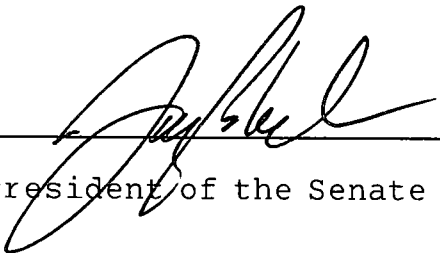
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 260A.007(k), Health and Safety Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

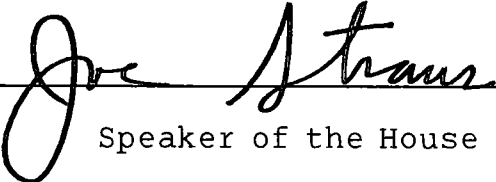
8 (k) If the department determines the report of abuse,
9 neglect, or exploitation is substantiated at the conclusion of the
10 investigation, the [~~The~~] department shall make a complete final
11 written report of the investigation and submit the report and its
12 recommendations to the [~~district attorney and, if a law enforcement~~
13 ~~agency has not investigated the report of abuse, neglect,~~
14 ~~exploitation, or other complaint, to the~~] appropriate law
15 enforcement agency.

16 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
17 an investigation completed on or after the effective date of this
18 Act.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

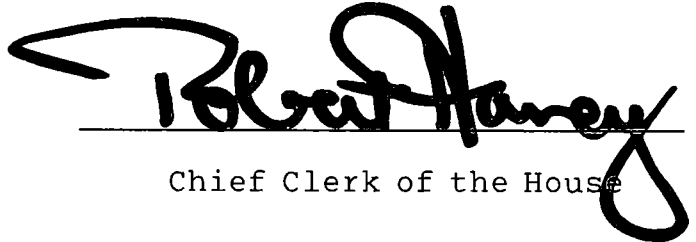


President of the Senate



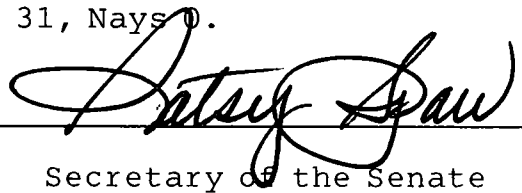
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1642 was passed by the House on May 4, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.



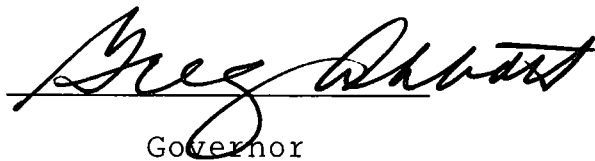
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1642 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.




Secretary of the Senate

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Date



Governor

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FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 10, 2017

TO: Honorable Charles Schwertner, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1642 by Bell (Relating to reporting requirements for investigations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation against residents of certain health facilities.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to only require the Health and Human Services Commission to submit a written report to an appropriate law enforcement agency regarding a claim of abuse, neglect, exploitation, or other complaint if HHSC determines the claim is substantiated at the end of an investigation of the claim in accordance with statutory requirements. The bill would take effect September 1, 2017. The Health and Human Services Commission indicates that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources. This analysis assumes that any savings resulting from the removal of the requirement to submit a written report on unsubstantiated claim would be minimal.

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No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of

LBB Staff: UP, KCA, EP, MDI, TBo, JLi

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FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 14, 2017

TO: Honorable Richard Peña Raymond, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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