

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to a study of the feasibility of requiring registration of  
3 certain assisted living facilities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 247, Health and Safety  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 247.032 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 247.032. FEASIBILITY OF REGISTERING SMALL FACILITIES.

8 (a) The commissioner of aging and disability services shall  
9 appoint a work group to study the feasibility of requiring  
10 facilities that furnish food, shelter, and personal care services  
11 to three or fewer people who are unrelated to the proprietor of the  
12 facility to register with the department and the best method to  
13 identify those facilities. The work group must include:

- 14 (1) representatives of the department;
- 15 (2) a representative from the Department of Family and  
16 Protective Services;
- 17 (3) a representative of a licensed assisted living  
18 facility;
- 19 (4) a resident of an assisted living facility;
- 20 (5) an advocate for persons with disabilities;
- 21 (6) an advocate for the elderly;
- 22 (7) representatives of provider associations  
23 representing assisted living facilities; and
- 24 (8) representatives of local governmental entities,

1 with at least one representative from a rural area of the state and  
2 one representative from an urban area of the state.

3 (b) A member of the work group serving under Subsection  
4 (a)(1) or (2) is not entitled to additional compensation for  
5 serving on the work group. Another member of the work group is not  
6 entitled to compensation for serving on the work group.

7 (c) Not later than January 1, 2007, the work group shall  
8 submit its findings to the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the  
9 house of representatives, and the presiding officers of the  
10 standing committees of each house with jurisdiction over assisted  
11 living facilities.

12 (d) This section expires January 1, 2007.

13 SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 2006, the commissioner  
14 of aging and disability services shall appoint the members of the  
15 work group as required by Section 247.032, Health and Safety Code,  
16 as added by this Act.

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

David Newkirk

President of the Senate

Jim Cuddeback

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 669 was passed by the House on May 9, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Robert Haney

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 669 was passed by the Senate on May 25, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Patsy Saw

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 18 JUNE '05

Date

Rick Perry

Governor

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
10:20 AM CLOCK

Roger Williams  
Secretary of State