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S.B. No. 957

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the clarification of terminology relating to the Waco Center for Youth.

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

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

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

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

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

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Subsection (a), Section 554.001, Health and Safety Code, is a clarification of existing law and does not imply that the former law may be construed as inconsistent with the law as amended by this Act.

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, 2011.