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H.B. No. 416

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring personnel of abortion facilities and certain other facilities performing abortions to complete training on human trafficking.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 171, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subchapter E to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER E. EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS ON TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS FOR CERTAIN FACILITY PERSONNEL

Sec. 171.081. APPLICABILITY. This subchapter applies to each person who:

(1) is employed by, volunteers at, or performs services under contract with:

(A) an abortion facility licensed under Chapter 245; or

(B) an ambulatory surgical center licensed under Chapter 243 that performs more than 50 abortions in any 12-month period; and

(2) has direct contact with patients of the facility.

Sec. 171.082. EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS ON TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS. (a) The executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission by rule shall require a person described by Section 171.081 to complete within a reasonable time after beginning work at the facility a training program to identify

1 and assist victims of human trafficking.

2 (b) A training program under this section must use the  
3 standardized curriculum created by the human trafficking  
4 prevention task force under Section 402.035(d)(6), Government  
5 Code.

6 (c) The department shall make available to each facility  
7 described by Sections 171.081(1)(A) and (B) the training program  
8 required under this section.

9 SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2015, the executive  
10 commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall  
11 adopt the rules required by Section 171.082, Health and Safety  
12 Code, as added by this Act.

13 SECTION 3. A person described by Section 171.081, Health  
14 and Safety Code, as added by this Act, who is hired, begins  
15 volunteering, or begins providing services under contract before  
16 September 1, 2015, is not required to comply with Section 171.082,  
17 Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act, before September 1,  
18 2016.

19 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.