

AN ACT

relating to training and continuing education requirements for certain long-term care facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 22.039, Human Resources Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2) to read as follows:

(b) The department shall require a surveyor to complete a basic training program before the surveyor inspects, surveys, or investigates a long-term care facility.

(b-1) The training required under Subsection (b) must include observation of the operations of a long-term care facility unrelated to the survey, inspection, or investigation process for a minimum of 10 working days within a 14-day period.

(b-2) The department may waive the requirement imposed under Subsection (b-1) for a surveyor who has completed in the two years preceding the inspection, survey, or investigation one year of full-time employment in a nursing facility in this state as a:

(1) nursing facility administrator;

(2) licensed vocational nurse;

(3) registered nurse; or

(4) social worker.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3934 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. 3934 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor