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H.B. No. 872

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the applicability of certain laws to an agreement authorizing certain persons to make decisions regarding a child.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 34, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 34.0022 to read as follows:

Sec. 34.0022. INAPPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN LAWS. (a) An authorization agreement executed under this chapter between a child's parent and a relative listed in Section 34.001 does not subject the relative or a relative or other person with whom the child is placed under a child safety placement agreement to any law or rule governing the licensing or regulation of a residential child-care facility under Chapter 42, Human Resources Code.

(b) A child who is the subject of an authorization agreement executed under this chapter is not considered to be placed in foster care and the parties to the authorization agreement are not subject to any law or rule governing foster care providers.

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