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H.B. No. 2575

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to increasing awareness of the danger of leaving a child in a motor vehicle.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 201, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 201.623 to read as follows:

Sec. 201.623. UNATTENDED CHILDREN IN MOTOR VEHICLES AWARENESS. (a) Using existing resources, the department shall establish a plan to increase public awareness of the danger of leaving a child unattended in a closed motor vehicle during hot or sunny weather through an existing system of dynamic message signs to be activated on days when the outdoor temperature exceeds 85 degrees Fahrenheit.

(b) The department may confer and cooperate with the Department of Family and Protective Services and the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas to establish the plan under Subsection (a).

(c) The commission shall adopt rules to implement this section.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.