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Dear Listed Family Home Provider:

The 86th Legislature, Regular Session, concluded on May 27, 2019. A few bills passed that will have an impact on listed family home providers. Most importantly, Senate Bill 569 will have a major impact on listed family home providers.

CCL has posted a chart on the [Minimum Standards](#) webpage that includes the following information for such bills:

- A brief summary of the changes in the law;
- Information on how to comply with the changes in the law; and
- Information on when to comply with the new law.

CCL will continue to communicate with you as additional decisions are made on how to implement this recent legislation.

We look forward to working with you as we implement these new requirements and continue to work toward our common goal of protecting the health, safety and well-being of children in out of home care in Texas.

Sincerely,

Jean Shaw
Associate Commissioner
Child Care Licensing

Listed Family Homes

Bill Number	Summary	How To Comply	When To Comply
<p>Senate Bill 569 <i>Effective 9/1/2019</i></p>	<p>Amends Human Resources Code, Chapter 42, to add new requirements for the regulation of listed family homes. The new requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Require Licensing to develop minimum standards for listed family homes; 2. Expand Licensing’s authority to investigate listed family homes to include reports of minimum standards violations; 3. Require Licensing to make five years of the listed family home’s inspection history available on the Search Texas Child Care website; 4. Require an applicant for a listed family home to complete safe sleeping training before Licensing may issue a listing; 5. Add liability insurance requirements, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Requiring listed family homes to maintain liability insurance, or to provide written notification to parents/guardians if they do not maintain liability insurance; 	<p>No action on your part is required until additional direction is provided from Licensing.</p> <p>Licensing will share more detailed information regarding the criteria and rule changes at a later date.</p>	<p>Additional information will be provided as Licensing develops processes and rules necessary to implement this bill.</p>

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	<p>2. Requiring listed family homes to provide proof of liability insurance to Licensing annually; and</p> <p>3. Requiring Licensing to provide a form, available on the Licensing website, for providers to notify parents/guardians that the home does not provide liability insurance; and</p> <p>6. Exempt relative-only listed family homes from complying with the new minimum standards and liability insurance requirements.</p> <p><u>Rule Changes:</u></p> <p>Licensing will propose changes to 26 TAC Chapter 745, and add a new chapter to 26 TAC.</p>		
<p>Senate Bill 706</p> <p><i>Effective 9/1/2019</i></p>	<p>Adds new Government Code Section §531.0084, requiring the Health and Human Services Commission to establish a unit of investigators who must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify child care facilities that are operating without a license, registration, listing, or certification as required by Chapter 42 of the Human Resources Code; and 	<p>This law only applies to child care settings subject to regulation under Chapter 42 of the Human Resource Code that are operating without the required permit.</p> <p>No action on your part is required.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiate appropriate enforcement actions against those requiring regulation when appropriate. 		
<p>Senate Bill 781 –SECTIONS 6-9</p> <p>Effective 9/1/2019</p>	<p>Amends HRC §42.072(c) to broaden the five year ban to reapply for a permit to an operation that voluntarily closes in lieu of disciplinary action. The five year ban starts on the date the operation closes or relinquishes its permit.</p> <p><u>Rule Changes:</u></p> <p>Rule amendments will be proposed to 26 TAC Chapter 745.</p>	<p>This bill only impacts homes that Licensing plans to take disciplinary action.</p>	<p>Additional information will be provided as Licensing develops processes and rules necessary to implement this bill.</p>