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Relating to the Department of Aging and Disability Services

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These selected laws contain references to the Texas Department on Aging (TDOA), the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation (TDMHMR), and the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS). These agencies were abolished, effective September 1, 2004, in accordance with §1.26 of House Bill 2292, 78th Texas Legislature, 2003. On that date the powers, duties, functions, programs, and activities of TDOA, TDMHMR (relating to the provision of mental retardation services), and of TDHS (relating to the provision of long-term care services and community-based support and services, licensing and enforcing regulations applicable to long-term care facilities, and licensing and enforcing regulations applicable to home and community support services agencies), were transferred to the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) in accordance with §1.20 of House Bill 2292. Also, on that date the powers, duties, functions, programs, and activities of TDMHMR relating to the provision of mental health services were transferred to the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) in accordance with §1.19 of House Bill 2292.* In accordance with §1.20 of House Bill 2292, a reference in law to the governing body of TDOA, TDMHMR, or TDHS, means the Health and Human Services Commission or its executive commissioner. Any interpretation of these laws containing references to TDOA, TDMHMR, and TDHS, should take into account the aforementioned provisions in House Bill 2292.

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