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H.B. No. 171

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to immunization requirements for admission to public
3 schools.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 38.001(f), Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (f) A person who has not received the immunizations required
8 by this section for reasons of conscience, including because of the
9 person's religious beliefs, may be excluded from school in times of
10 emergency or epidemic declared by the commissioner of public
11 health, except if the immunization is required for the prevention
12 of COVID-19.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
18 legislative session.