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H.B. No. 516

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the vaccination against bacterial meningitis of public school students.

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

SECTION 1. Section 38.001, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) Except as provided by Subsection (c), each student shall be fully immunized against bacterial meningitis in accordance with the most recent recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall adopt rules for the implementation of this subsection.

SECTION 2. Not later than June 1, 2022, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall adopt the rules necessary to implement Section 38.001(a-1), Education Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. Section 38.001(a-1), Education Code, as added by this Act, applies beginning with the 2022-2023 school year.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.