

1-1 By: White, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) H.B. No. 639  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 17, 2021;  
 1-3 May 17, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Local  
 1-4 Government; May 22, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable  
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;  
 1-6 May 22, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-10	X			
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1-14	X			
1-15	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 639 By: Menéndez

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the authority of an emergency services district to  
 1-22 provide preventive health care services.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 775, Health and Safety  
 1-25 Code, is amended by adding Section 775.0311 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 775.0311. PREVENTIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICES. (a) This  
 1-27 section applies to a district that is licensed as or contracts with:

1-28 (1) an emergency medical services provider under  
 1-29 Chapter 773; or

1-30 (2) a first responder organization under Chapter 773.

1-31 (b) In this section, "preventive health care services"  
 1-32 means out-of-hospital routine health care services, including  
 1-33 immunizations, screenings, checkups, and patient counseling,  
 1-34 provided for the purpose of preventing illness, disease, or other  
 1-35 health problems.

1-36 (c) A district may provide preventive health care services  
 1-37 to reduce reliance on 9-1-1 transports and systems for routine  
 1-38 health care and contract with the state or a local government, as  
 1-39 provided by Section 775.0366, to provide those services.

1-40 (d) A reference in this chapter to the district providing  
 1-41 emergency services includes preventive health care services.

1-42 (e) A district may make necessary improvements and adopt  
 1-43 rules and regulations for the purposes of this section.

1-44 (f) A district in a county with a population of less than  
 1-45 60,000 must obtain approval from the county commissioners court  
 1-46 prior to providing services under this section.

1-47 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-48 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-49 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-50 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-51 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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