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H.B. No. 1370

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a notification requirement concerning the availability of nurses on the campus of a public school, including an open-enrollment charter school.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 25, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 25.096 to read as follows:

Sec. 25.096. PARENTAL NOTIFICATION CONCERNING NURSES. (a)

In this section, "nurse" means a person licensed under Chapter 301, Occupations Code.

(b) A public school, including an open-enrollment charter school, shall provide written notice to the parent of or other person standing in parental relation to each student enrolled in the school concerning the schedule and availability of a nurse on the school's campus during the school year.

(c) The principal of the school shall provide the notice required by Subsection (b) not later than the 30th instructional day following:

(1) the first day of school; and

(2) any change to the nurse's schedule or availability that occurs during the school year.

(d) The school shall:

(1) make a good faith effort to ensure that the notice required by this section is provided in a bilingual form to any

1 parent or other person standing in parental relation whose primary
2 language is not English; and

3 (2) retain a copy of any notice provided under this
4 section.

5 (e) A school may satisfy the notice requirement under
6 Subsection (c) by posting the notice on the school's Internet
7 website. Notice posted under this subsection must be accessible
8 from the home page of the Internet website by use of not more than
9 three links.

10 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2021-2022
11 school year.

12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.