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H.B. No. 1967

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a database of information about women with uterine fibroids and to uterine fibroid education and research.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle D, Title 2, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Chapter 100A to read as follows:

CHAPTER 100A. UTERINE FIBROID EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Sec. 100A.001. UTERINE FIBROID DATABASE. (a) The

department's Center for Health Statistics shall establish and maintain an electronic database of information related to uterine fibroids to increase awareness about uterine fibroids and ensure women receive the information and health care necessary to prevent and treat the condition. The database must include the:

(1) incidence and prevalence of uterine fibroids in this state;

(2) demographic attributes of women diagnosed with uterine fibroids; and

(3) treatments for uterine fibroids used by health care providers.

(b) A health care provider who diagnoses or treats a woman with uterine fibroids shall submit for inclusion in the department's Center for Health Statistics the information required by the center in the form and manner prescribed by the department.

The information provided under this section may be combined with

1 other information the health care provider submits to the
2 department under other law.

3 (c) Information regarding a woman who is diagnosed with or
4 treated for uterine fibroids that is maintained in the database
5 under Subsection (a):

6 (1) may not include any personally identifying
7 information of the woman; and

8 (2) is confidential and may be used only by the
9 department or other person on behalf of the department for uterine
10 fibroid research.

11 Sec. 100A.002. UTERINE FIBROID EDUCATION OUTREACH. The
12 department, in consultation with the Texas Medical Association,
13 shall develop and disseminate to health care providers information
14 on uterine fibroids and conduct a campaign to increase public
15 awareness of uterine fibroids, including information on and
16 awareness of the:

17 (1) women of a race or ethnicity that has a
18 statistically elevated risk of developing uterine fibroids; and

19 (2) range of available treatment options for uterine
20 fibroids that include non-hysterectomy treatments and procedures.

21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.