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H.B. No. 2355

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the acceptance of gifts, grants, and donations by the Texas Department of Insurance for employee training or education.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 31, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Section 31.046 to read as follows:

Sec. 31.046. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES. (a) In addition to money appropriated by the legislature, the department may accept gifts, grants, and donations from any source to provide funding for department employees to participate in educational events or trainings and for other purposes related to employee education, including education relating to:

(1) any insurance line, product, or service; or

(2) any other topic that may assist the department in performing the department's duties under Section 31.002.

(b) The commissioner may adopt rules to administer this section.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.