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S.B. No. 2123

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the participation of the medical school at The  
3 University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler in the Joint  
4 Admission Medical Program.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 51.821(4), Education Code, is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 (4) "Participating medical school" means each of the  
9 following entities:

10 (A) the medical school at The University of Texas  
11 Health Science Center at Houston;

12 (B) the medical school at The University of Texas  
13 Southwestern Medical Center;

14 (C) the medical school at The University of Texas  
15 Health Science Center at San Antonio;

16 (D) the medical school at The University of Texas  
17 Medical Branch at Galveston;

18 (E) the medical school at the Texas Tech  
19 University Health Sciences Center at Lubbock;

20 (F) the medical school at the Texas Tech  
21 University Health Sciences Center at El Paso;

22 (G) the Baylor College of Medicine;

23 (H) the college of osteopathic medicine at the  
24 University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth;

1 (I) the medical school at The Texas A&M  
2 University System Health Science Center;

3 (J) the medical school at The University of Texas  
4 at Austin;

5 (K) the medical school at The University of Texas  
6 Rio Grande Valley;

7 (L) the medical school at the University of  
8 Houston; ~~and~~

9 (M) the college of osteopathic medicine at Sam  
10 Houston State University; and

11 (N) the medical school at The University of Texas  
12 Health Science Center at Tyler.

13 SECTION 2. (a) As soon as practicable after the effective  
14 date of this Act, the medical school at The University of Texas  
15 Health Science Center at Tyler shall:

16 (1) enter into the agreement with the Joint Admission  
17 Medical Program Council required by Section 51.829, Education Code;  
18 and

19 (2) select an appropriate faculty member to represent  
20 the medical school on the council.

21 (b) The medical school at The University of Texas Health  
22 Science Center at Tyler shall provide internships and mentoring  
23 under the Joint Admission Medical Program as appropriate beginning  
24 not later than the 2024-2025 academic year, but is not required  
25 before the 2026-2027 academic year to admit participating students  
26 to the school under the program.

27 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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