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1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a study on the increased incidence of cancer in female
- 3 firefighters in this state.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. (a) In this Act:
- 6 (1) "Commission" means the Texas Commission on Fire
- 7 Protection.
- 8 (2) "Department" means the Department of State Health
- 9 Services.
- 10 (3) "Registry" means the cancer registry established
- 11 under Chapter 82, Health and Safety Code.
- 12 (b) The department, in collaboration with the commission
- 13 and using registry information, shall conduct a study on the
- 14 increased incidence of cancer in female firefighters in this state.
- 15 (c) In conducting the study, the department and commission
- 16 shall, using registry information and data collected from readily
- 17 available sources, compare cancer rates among female firefighters
- 18 in this state to cancer rates among other women, focusing on cancers
- 19 specific to women, including ovarian and breast cancer.
- 20 (d) Not later than September 1, 2026:
- 21 (1) the department shall prepare and submit to the
- 22 legislature a written report containing the results of the study
- 23 and any recommendations for legislative or other action; and
- 24 (2) the department and commission shall make the

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- 1 report publicly available by posting the report on the agencies'
- 2 and registry's respective Internet websites.
- 3 (e) This Act expires September 1, 2027.
- 4 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

President of the Senate	Speaker of the House
-	9 was passed by the House on May 7,
voting.	eas 141, Nays 7, 2 present, not
	Chief Clerk of the House
I certify that H.B. No. 163	9 was passed by the Senate on May
20, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 3.	
	Secretary of the Senate
APPROVED:	
Date	
Governor	