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H.B. No. 3820

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring an opportunity for an annual physical examination for certain students, interns, residents, and fellows enrolled in or receiving residency training or clinical education from public and private medical schools and graduate medical education programs.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 51, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 51.9521 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.9521. PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL AND GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION STUDENTS. (a) In this section:

(1) "Coordinating board" means the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

(2) "Graduate medical education program" has the meaning assigned by Section 58A.001.

(3) "Medical school" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.501.

(b) The coordinating board by rule shall require medical schools and graduate medical education programs to, for each student, intern, resident, and fellow, as applicable, enrolled in the medical school or receiving residency training or clinical education under the graduate medical education program, as applicable:

(1) designate a time during each academic year to

1 receive a physical examination; and

2 (2) provide notification of the availability and  
3 importance of receiving an annual physical examination.

4 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026  
5 academic year.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
10 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.