

1-1 By: Rose (Senate Sponsor - Wentworth) H.B. No. 1504  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 19, 2003;  
1-3 May 20, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Education; May 26, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 7, Nays 1; May 26, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to notification provided by certain health care  
1-9 professionals to students and parents or guardians of students who  
1-10 participate in extracurricular sports activities sponsored or  
1-11 sanctioned by the University Interscholastic League.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 33, Education Code, is  
1-14 amended by adding Section 33.087 to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 33.087. NOTIFICATION BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE  
1-16 PROFESSIONALS CONCERNING INJURIES RESULTING FROM HEAD TRAUMA. (a)

1-17 A physician, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner, or  
1-18 chiropractor who examines a student to determine the student's  
1-19 physical fitness to participate in a sports activity sponsored or  
1-20 sanctioned by the University Interscholastic League shall provide  
1-21 the student and the student's parent or guardian with written  
1-22 notification, in the form and with the specific content adopted  
1-23 jointly by the agency, the Texas Department of Health, the Texas  
1-24 Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council, and the University  
1-25 Interscholastic League, that explains:

1-26 (1) the risk of secondary injury resulting from head  
1-27 trauma suffered during a sports activity;

1-28 (2) the types of secondary injury that may occur; and

1-29 (3) the symptoms of secondary injury.

1-30 (b) A physician, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner,  
1-31 or chiropractor who examines a student because the student has been  
1-32 injured in a sports activity sponsored or sanctioned by the  
1-33 University Interscholastic League shall provide the student and the  
1-34 student's parent or guardian with the written notification required  
1-35 under Subsection (a).

1-36 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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