

AN ACT

relating to an immunization education program established by the Texas Department of Health.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 161, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 161.010 to read as follows:

Sec. 161.010. IMMUNIZATION EDUCATION; STATEWIDE COALITION.

(a) The department shall establish a continuous statewide education program to educate the public about the importance of immunizing children and the risks and contraindications of an immunization.

(b) The department shall increase coordination among public and private local, regional, and statewide entities that have an interest in immunizations.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 40 passed the Senate on March 12, 2003, by a viva-voce vote; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 9, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 40 passed the House, with amendment, on May 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor