S.B. No. 40 1-1 By: Zaffirini (In the Senate - Filed November 12, 2002; January 27, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services; March 6, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; March 6, 2003, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 1-6 1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT relating to an immunization education program established by the 1-8 1-9 Texas Department of Health. 1-10 1-11 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: 1-12 Sec. 161.010. IMMUNIZATION EDUCATION; STATEWIDE COALITION. 1-13 (a) The department shall establish a continuous statewide education program to educate the public about the importance of fully immunizing children.

(b) The department shall increase coordination among public 1-14 1**-**15 1**-**16 1-17 and private local, regional, and statewide entities that have an 1-18 interest in immunizations. 1-19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003. 1-20 * * * * * 1-21