

AN ACT

relating to updating citations to Chapter 74, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, in Chapter 81, Health and Safety Code.

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

SECTION 1. Section 81.048(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Notice of a positive test result for a reportable disease designated under Subsection (a) shall be given to an emergency medical service personnel, peace officer, or fire fighter as provided by this section if:

(1) the emergency medical service personnel, peace officer, or fire fighter delivered a person to a hospital as defined by Section 74.001, Civil Practice and Remedies Code [~~1.03, Medical Liability and Insurance Improvement Act of Texas (Article 4590i, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)~~];

(2) the hospital has knowledge that the person has a reportable disease and has medical reason to believe that the person had the disease when the person was admitted to the hospital; and

(3) the emergency medical service personnel, peace officer, or fire fighter was exposed to the reportable disease during the course of duty.

SECTION 2. This Act applies only to an act occurring on or after the effective date of this Act.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

H.B. No. 738

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 738 was passed by the House on March 23, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 738 was passed by the Senate on May 10, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor