

AN ACT

relating to donees of anatomical gifts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 692.005, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 692.005. PERSONS WHO MAY BECOME DONEES. (a) The following persons may be donees of gifts of bodies or parts of bodies:

(1) a qualified organ procurement organization, for distribution to another person who may be a donee under this section, to be used for transplantation;

(2) a hospital or physician, to be used only for therapy or transplantation;

(3) a bank or storage facility, to be used only for therapy or transplantation;

(4) a person specified by a physician, to be used only for therapy or transplantation needed by the person;

(5) an eye bank the medical activities of which are directed by a physician;

(6) a forensic science program at:

(A) a general academic teaching institution, as defined by Section 61.003(3), Education Code; or

(B) a private or independent institution of higher education, as defined by Section 61.003(15), Education Code;

1 or

2 (7) [~~(6)~~] the Anatomical Board of the State of Texas.

3 (b) Except for donations to a forensic science program under
4 Subsection (a)(6), the [~~The~~] Anatomical Board of the State of Texas
5 shall be the donee of gifts of bodies or parts of bodies made for
6 education or research, which are subject to distribution by that
7 board under Chapter 691.

8 (c) A forensic science program that receives a donation
9 under Subsection (a)(6) must submit a report to the Anatomical
10 Board of the State of Texas on a quarterly basis that lists:

11 (1) the number of bodies or parts of bodies the
12 forensic science program received; and

13 (2) the method in which the forensic science program
14 used the bodies or parts of bodies for education or research.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 995 passed the Senate on April 21, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 27, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 995 passed the House, with amendment, on May 25, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor