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H.B. No. 352

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a grant-writing coordination program for school district school-based health centers.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 38, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 38.0631 to read as follows:

Sec. 38.0631. GRANT-WRITING COORDINATION PROGRAM. (a) The Department of State Health Services shall employ three persons as grant writers to assist and coordinate with school districts in obtaining grants and other funds for school-based health centers. Two of the grant writers employed under this subsection shall assist and coordinate with rural school districts only.

(b) A grant writer employed under this section may secure a grant or other funds on behalf of the state for a school-based health center.

(c) Funds obtained by the use of a grant writer employed under this section may be used only to:

(1) acquire, construct, or improve facilities for a school-based health center;

(2) purchase or lease equipment or materials for a school-based health center; or

(3) pay the salary or employment benefits of a person who is employed to work exclusively in a school-based health center.

1           SECTION 2.   This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.