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S.B. No. 140

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to a study of the feasibility of providing immunizations  
3 to certain students enrolled in health professional degree  
4 programs.

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

6 SECTION 1. (a) The Department of State Health Services and  
7 the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall conduct a joint  
8 study of the feasibility of providing immunizations without charge  
9 or at a discount to economically disadvantaged students enrolled in  
10 health professional degree programs at institutions of higher  
11 education in this state. The study must examine potential methods  
12 of providing those immunizations.

13 (b) Not later than January 15, 2009, the Department of State  
14 Health Services and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board  
15 shall submit to the legislature a joint written report containing  
16 the findings of the study and the department and coordinating  
17 board's recommendations.

18 (c) This section expires September 1, 2009.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.