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## 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
- 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.