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S.B. No. 203

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the reporting of health care-associated infections in certain health care facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections (a), (b), and (c), Section 98.103, Health and Safety Code, as added by Chapter 359 (S.B. 288), Acts of the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, are amended to read as follows:

(a) A health care facility, other than a pediatric and adolescent hospital, shall report to the department the incidence of surgical site infections, including the causative pathogen if the infection is laboratory-confirmed, occurring in the following procedures:

- (1) colon surgeries;
- (2) hip arthroplasties;
- (3) knee arthroplasties;
- (4) abdominal hysterectomies;
- (5) vaginal hysterectomies;
- (6) coronary artery bypass grafts; and
- (7) vascular procedures.

(b) A pediatric and adolescent hospital shall report the incidence of surgical site infections, including the causative pathogen if the infection is laboratory-confirmed, occurring in the following procedures to the department:

1 (1) cardiac procedures, excluding thoracic cardiac
2 procedures;

3 (2) ventriculoperitoneal shunt procedures; and

4 (3) spinal surgery with instrumentation.

5 (c) A general hospital shall report the following to the
6 department:

7 (1) the incidence of laboratory-confirmed central
8 line-associated primary bloodstream infections, including the
9 causative pathogen, occurring in any special care setting in the
10 hospital; and

11 (2) the incidence of respiratory syncytial virus
12 occurring in any pediatric inpatient unit in the hospital.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.