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S.B. No. 203

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the reporting of MRSA infection rates in hospitals.

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

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

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

(1) the incidence of laboratory-confirmed central line-associated primary bloodstream infections occurring in any special care setting in the hospital; ~~and~~

(2) the incidence of respiratory syncytial virus occurring in any pediatric inpatient unit in the hospital; and

(3) the incidence of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) infections in any unit in the hospital.

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