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S.B. No. 187

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to human body and anatomical specimen donation.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 691, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 691.0225 to read as follows:

Sec. 691.0225. INFORMATIONAL DOCUMENT. The board shall develop a document to inform a person making a gift of a decedent's body or anatomical specimen for purposes of education or research of the risks and benefits associated with donation. The board shall make the document available on the board's Internet website.

SECTION 2. Subsection (a), Section 691.031, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The board shall adopt rules to ensure that:

(1) each body or anatomical specimen received or distributed by the board is properly transported;

(2) a label with the statement "CONTENTS DERIVED FROM DONATED HUMAN TISSUE" is affixed to the container in which the body or anatomical specimen is transported; and

(3) each person who has control or possession of a body or anatomical specimen:

(A) satisfactorily completes the information required on a chain-of-custody form prescribed by the board;

(B) maintains a copy of the form for the person's records; and

1 (C) transfers the form to any other person to
2 whom control or possession of the body or anatomical specimen is
3 transferred.

4 SECTION 3. Not later than January 1, 2012, the Anatomical
5 Board of the State of Texas shall:

6 (1) adopt the rules and form required under Subsection
7 (a), Section 691.031, Health and Safety Code, as amended by this
8 Act; and

9 (2) develop the informational document required under
10 Section 691.0225, Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act.

11 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.