

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1204
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Public Health
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note the need to increase the public's awareness of the health risks associated with influenza and the proactive measures that can be taken to reduce the risks of influenza. H.B. 1204 seeks to address this issue by designating October 1 as Influenza Awareness Day.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 1204 amends the Government Code to designate October 1 as Influenza Awareness Day to raise awareness of the health risks associated with influenza and encourage Texans to take proactive measures to reduce exposure to those risks. The bill requires Influenza Awareness Day to be regularly observed by appropriate programs and activities.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2013.