

1-1 By: Price, Burkett, Márquez H.B. No. 197  
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Nelson)  
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 13, 2015;  
 1-4 May 4, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Higher  
 1-5 Education; May 14, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable  
 1-6 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;  
 1-7 May 14, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9 Seliger	X			
1-10 West	X			
1-11 Bettencourt	X			
1-12 Burton	X			
1-13 Menéndez	X			
1-14 Perry	X			
1-15 Watson	X			

1-17 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 197 By: Seliger

1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to requiring certain public institutions of higher  
 1-21 education to post information regarding mental health resources on  
 1-22 the institution's Internet website.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 51, Education Code, is  
 1-25 amended by adding Section 51.9193 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 51.9193. REQUIRED POSTING OF MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES.

1-27 (a) In this section, "local mental health authority" has the  
 1-28 meaning assigned by Section 531.002, Health and Safety Code.

1-29 (b) This section applies only to a general academic teaching  
 1-30 institution, medical and dental unit, public junior college, public  
 1-31 state college, or public technical institute as those terms are  
 1-32 defined by Section 61.003.

1-33 (c) Each institution to which this section applies shall  
 1-34 create a web page on the institution's Internet website dedicated  
 1-35 solely to information regarding the mental health resources  
 1-36 available to students at the institution. The web page must include  
 1-37 the address of the nearest local mental health authority.

1-38 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date  
 1-39 of this Act, each public institution of higher education to which  
 1-40 Section 51.9193, Education Code, as added by this Act, applies  
 1-41 shall post on its Internet website the information required by that  
 1-42 section.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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