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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the duty of business entities to use an automated external defibrillator.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 779, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 779.0061 to read as follows:

Sec. 779.0061. DUTY TO USE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR; CIVIL LIABILITY. (a) A business entity that advertises the presence of an automated external defibrillator and staff trained to use the automated external defibrillator shall use the automated external defibrillator on a person in cardiac arrest on property owned or rented by the business entity if necessary.

(b) If a business entity negligently fails to use an automated external defibrillator under Subsection (a), the business entity is liable for civil damages, including personal injury and wrongful death, caused by the negligent failure to act.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.