

By: Turner of Harris

H.B. No. 3716

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a requirement that public school districts and open-enrollment charter schools notify the Texas Education Agency of student deaths.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 38, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 38.028 to read as follows:

Sec. 38.028. REPORT OF STUDENT DEATHS TO AGENCY. Not later than July 1 of each year, each school district and open-enrollment charter school shall report to the agency the number of student deaths that occurred during the preceding school year. The report must include the age and grade level of each student at the time of death and the cause of death.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.