

1-1 By: Ellis, Seliger S.B. No. 69  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 10, 2014; January 26, 2015,  
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Education;  
 1-4 April 16, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 10,  
 1-5 Nays 1; April 16, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Campbell	X			
1-11 Garcia	X			
1-12 Huffines	X			
1-13 Kolthorst	X			
1-14 Rodríguez	X			
1-15 Seliger	X			
1-16 Taylor of Collin		X		
1-17 West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to a notification requirement if a public school campus or  
 1-22 open-enrollment charter school does not have a nurse assigned to  
 1-23 the campus during all instructional hours.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 38, Education Code, is  
 1-26 amended by adding Section 38.020 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 38.020. PARENTAL NOTIFICATION CONCERNING NURSES.

1-28 (a) In this section, "nurse" means a nurse licensed under Chapter  
 1-29 301, Occupations Code.

1-30 (b) A public school, including an open-enrollment charter  
 1-31 school, that does not have a full-time nurse or the equivalent of a  
 1-32 full-time nurse assigned to be present on the campus for more than  
 1-33 30 consecutive instructional days during the same school year shall  
 1-34 provide written notice of the absence of a nurse to the parent of or  
 1-35 other person standing in parental relation to each student enrolled  
 1-36 in the school.

1-37 (c) A school has the equivalent of a full-time nurse under  
 1-38 Subsection (b) if the school has two or more nurses assigned to the  
 1-39 school and those nurses' combined presence covers all regular  
 1-40 student instructional hours at a campus during the regular school  
 1-41 day.

1-42 (d) The principal of the school shall provide the notice  
 1-43 required by Subsection (b) not later than the 30th instructional  
 1-44 day after the first day the school does not have a full-time nurse  
 1-45 assigned to be present on the campus.

1-46 (e) The school shall:

1-47 (1) make a good faith effort to ensure that the notice  
 1-48 required by this section is provided in a bilingual form to any  
 1-49 parent or other person standing in parental relation whose primary  
 1-50 language is not English; and

1-51 (2) retain a copy of any notice provided under this  
 1-52 section.

1-53 (f) A school may satisfy the notice requirement under  
 1-54 Subsection (d) by posting the notice on the school's Internet  
 1-55 website. Notice posted under this subsection must be accessible  
 1-56 from the home page of the Internet website by use of not more than  
 1-57 three links.

1-58 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016  
 1-59 school year.

1-60 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-61 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

2-1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-3 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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