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S.B. No. 613

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to physician inquiries regarding firearm ownership.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 159, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 159.011 to read as follows:

Sec. 159.011. INQUIRY INTO FIREARM OWNERSHIP. A physician who requests that a patient or a parent or guardian of a patient provide information regarding firearm ownership by the patient, parent, or guardian shall disclose to the patient, parent, or guardian:

(1) why the information is requested; and

(2) to whom the information will be provided and for what purpose, if the physician is requesting the information other than for the physician's own patient records.

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