

Amend SB 1839 on third reading by striking amended Section 21.044(c-1), Education Code, and substituting the following:

(c-1) The ~~[Any]~~ minimum academic qualifications for a certificate specified under Subsection (a) ~~[that require a person to possess a bachelor's degree]~~ must ~~[also]~~ require that the person receive, as part of the training required to obtain that certificate, instruction regarding mental health, substance abuse, and youth suicide. The instruction required must:

(1) be provided through or acquired from a program selected from the list of recommended best practice-based programs established under Section 161.325, Health and Safety Code; ~~[and]~~

(2) include effective strategies for teaching and intervening with students with mental or emotional disorders, including de-escalation techniques and positive behavioral interventions and supports; and

(3) be implemented in compliance with requirements of the program selected under Subdivision (1).