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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to the removal of a public school student from an

3 interscholastic athletic activity on the basis of a suspected

4 concussion.

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

- 6 SECTION 1. Section 38.156, Education Code, is amended to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 38.156. REMOVAL FROM PLAY IN PRACTICE OR COMPETITION
- 9 FOLLOWING CONCUSSION. A student shall be removed from an
- 10 interscholastic athletics practice or competition immediately if
- 11 one of the following persons believes the student might have
- 12 sustained a concussion during the practice or competition:
- 13 (1) a coach;
- 14 (2) a physician;
- 15 (3) a licensed health care professional; [or]
- 16 (4) a person licensed under Chapter 201, Occupations
- 17 Code; or
- 18 <u>(5)</u> the student's parent or guardian or another person
- 19 with legal authority to make medical decisions for the student.
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 24 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.