

1-1 By: Miles S.B. No. 1599
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 9, 2017; March 21, 2017, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human Services;
 1-4 April 24, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 24, 2017,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1599 By: Uresti

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

1-21 relating to maternal mortality reporting and investigation
 1-22 information.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 1001, Health and Safety Code, is amended
 1-25 by adding Subchapter J to read as follows:

1-26 SUBCHAPTER J. MATERNAL MORTALITY REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION
 1-27 INFORMATION

1-28 Sec. 1001.241. MATERNAL MORTALITY REPORTING AND
 1-29 INVESTIGATION INFORMATION. (a) The department shall post on the
 1-30 department's Internet website information regarding the systematic
 1-31 protocol for pregnancy-related death investigations and the best
 1-32 practices for reporting pregnancy-related deaths to the medical
 1-33 examiner or justice of the peace of each county, as applicable.

1-34 (b) The information provided under Subsection (a) must
 1-35 include guidelines for:

1-36 (1) determining when a comprehensive toxicology
 1-37 screening should be performed on a person whose death was related to
 1-38 pregnancy;

1-39 (2) determining when a death should be reported to or
 1-40 investigated by a medical examiner or justice of the peace under
 1-41 Chapter 49, Code of Criminal Procedure; and

1-42 (3) correctly completing the death certificate of a
 1-43 person whose death was related to pregnancy.

1-44 (c) The executive commissioner shall adopt rules as
 1-45 necessary to implement this section.

1-46 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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