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S.B. No. 1873

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a report regarding certain health and safety information prepared by the Texas Education Agency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 38.0141, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 38.0141. REPORTING OF CERTAIN HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION REQUIRED. (a) Each school district shall provide to the agency information as required by the commissioner, including statistics and data, relating to student health and physical activity and information described by Section 28.004(k), presented in a form determined by the commissioner. The district shall provide the information required by this subsection [~~section~~] for the district and for each campus in the district.

(b) Not later than one year after the agency receives the information required by Subsection (a), the commissioner shall complete a report on physical education provided by each school district and publish the report on the agency's Internet website.

(c) The report must include:

(1) the number of physical education classes offered at each campus in the district and detail the number of days, classes, and minutes offered each week by each campus;

(2) the ratio of students enrolled in physical education classes in the district compared to the overall

1 enrollment;

2 (3) the average physical education class size at each  
3 campus in the district;

4 (4) the number of physical education teachers in the  
5 district who are licensed, certified, or endorsed by an accredited  
6 teacher preparation program to teach physical education;

7 (5) whether each campus in the district has the  
8 appropriate equipment and adequate facilities for students to  
9 engage in the amount and intensity of physical activity required  
10 under Section 28.002;

11 (6) whether the district allows modifications or  
12 adaptations that allow physical education courses to meet the needs  
13 of students with disabilities;

14 (7) whether the district has a policy that allows  
15 students to opt out of physical education to prepare for other  
16 classes or standardized tests; and

17 (8) whether the district has a policy that allows  
18 teachers or administrators in the district to withhold physical  
19 activity from a student as punishment.

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.