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S.B. No. 1948

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to electronic reporting requirements for an abortion  
3 facility.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 245.011, Health and Safety Code, is  
6 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (f) to  
7 read as follows:

8 (a) Each abortion facility must submit a monthly ~~[an annual]~~  
9 report to the department on each abortion that is performed at the  
10 abortion facility. The report must be submitted to ~~[on a form~~  
11 ~~provided by]~~ the department in the form and manner prescribed by the  
12 department.

13 (f) The department shall establish and maintain a secure  
14 electronic reporting system for the submission of each report  
15 required by this section. The department shall adopt procedures to  
16 enforce this section.

17 SECTION 2. Chapter 245, Health and Safety Code, is amended  
18 by adding Section 245.0115 to read as follows:

19 Sec. 245.0115. DEPARTMENT REPORT. (a) The department  
20 shall publish on its Internet website a monthly report containing  
21 aggregate data of the information in the reports submitted under  
22 Section 245.011.

23 (b) The department's monthly report may not identify by any  
24 means an abortion facility, a physician performing the abortion, or

1 a patient.

2           SECTION 3. The Department of State Health Services shall  
3 establish a secure electronic reporting system under Section  
4 [245.011\(f\)](#), Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act, not later  
5 than September 1, 2018.

6           SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.