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S.B. No. 1998

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the formal recognition of the Dell Medical School at The
3 University of Texas at Austin and the School of Medicine at The
4 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and the participation of
5 those schools in the Joint Admission Medical Program.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 51.821(4), Education Code, is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (4) "Participating medical school" means each of the
10 following entities:

11 (A) the medical school at The University of Texas
12 Health Science Center at Houston;

13 (B) the medical school at The University of Texas
14 Southwestern Medical Center;

15 (C) the medical school at The University of Texas
16 Health Science Center at San Antonio;

17 (D) the medical school at The University of Texas
18 Medical Branch at Galveston;

19 (E) the medical school at the Texas Tech
20 University Health Sciences Center at Lubbock;

21 (F) the medical school at the Texas Tech
22 University Health Sciences Center at El Paso;

23 (G) the Baylor College of Medicine;

24 (H) the college of osteopathic medicine at the

1 University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth;

2 [~~and~~]

3 (I) the medical school at The Texas A&M
4 University System Health Science Center;

5 (J) the medical school at The University of Texas
6 at Austin; and

7 (K) the medical school at The University of Texas
8 Rio Grande Valley.

9 SECTION 2. Section 61.003(5), Education Code, is amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (5) "Medical and dental unit" means The Texas A&M
12 University System Health Science Center and its component
13 institutions, agencies, and programs; the Texas Tech University
14 Health Sciences Center; the Texas Tech University Health Sciences
15 Center at El Paso; The University of Texas Medical Branch at
16 Galveston; The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center; The
17 University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio; The University
18 of Texas Dental Branch at Houston; The University of Texas M. D.
19 Anderson Cancer Center; The University of Texas Graduate School of
20 Biomedical Sciences at Houston; The University of Texas Dental
21 School at San Antonio; The University of Texas Medical School at
22 Houston; the Dell Medical School at The University of Texas at
23 Austin; the School of Medicine at The University of Texas Rio Grande
24 Valley; [~~The University of Texas Health Science Center -- South Texas~~
25 and its component institutions, if established under Subchapter N,
26 Chapter 74,] the nursing institutions of The Texas A&M University
27 System and The University of Texas System; and The University of

1 Texas School of Public Health at Houston; and such other medical or
2 dental schools as may be established by statute or as provided in
3 this chapter.

4 SECTION 3. (a) As soon as practicable after the effective
5 date of this Act, the medical schools at The University of Texas at
6 Austin and The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley each shall:

7 (1) enter into the agreement with the Joint Admission
8 Medical Program Council required by Section 51.829, Education Code;
9 and

10 (2) select an appropriate faculty member to represent
11 the respective medical school on the council.

12 (b) The medical schools each shall provide internships and
13 mentoring under the Joint Admission Medical Program as appropriate
14 beginning with the 2017-2018 academic year, but are not required
15 before the 2020-2021 academic year to admit participating students
16 to the medical schools under the program.

17 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.