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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the duration of laboratory support for testing of vector-borne infectious diseases in border counties.

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

SECTION 1.  The heading to Subchapter F, Chapter 12, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER F. [~~OFFICE OF~~] BORDER HEALTH

SECTION 2.  Subchapter F, Chapter 12, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 12.074 to read as follows:

Sec. 12.074.  YEAR-ROUND LABORATORY TESTING FOR VECTOR-BORNE INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The department shall provide year-round laboratory support for arboviral testing of vector-borne infectious diseases in counties located along the international border with Mexico.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.