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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to safety training for certain public school extracurricular activities.

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

SECTION 1.  Sections 33.202(a) and (c), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a)  The University Interscholastic League [~~commissioner by rule~~] shall develop and adopt an extracurricular activity safety training program as provided by this section. In developing the program, the University Interscholastic League [~~commissioner~~] may use materials available from the American Red Cross, Emergency Medical Systems (EMS), or another appropriate entity.

(c)  The safety training program must include:

(1)  certification of participants by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, or a similar organization [~~or the University Interscholastic League~~], as determined by the University Interscholastic League [~~commissioner~~];

(2)  current training in:

(A)  emergency action planning;

(B)  cardiopulmonary resuscitation if the person is not required to obtain certification under Section 33.086;

(C)  communicating effectively with 9-1-1 emergency service operators and other emergency personnel; and

(D)  recognizing symptoms of potentially catastrophic injuries, including head and neck injuries, concussions, injuries related to second impact syndrome, asthma attacks, heatstroke, cardiac arrest, and injuries requiring use of a defibrillator; and

(3)  at least once each school year, a safety drill that incorporates the training described by Subdivision (2) and simulates various injuries described by Subdivision (2)(D).

SECTION 2.  This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.