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H.B. No. 476

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to certain duties of public institutions of higher
3 education and the Department of State Health Services regarding
4 policies on the use of epinephrine auto-injectors by public
5 institutions of higher education.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 51.882, Education Code, is amended by
8 amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (f) to read as
9 follows:

10 (d) Each institution of higher education that adopts a
11 policy under Subsection (a):

12 (1) must require that the institution's campuses have
13 personnel or volunteers authorized and trained to administer an
14 epinephrine auto-injector present; and

15 (2) shall include the policy in the institution's
16 student handbook or similar publication and publish the policy on
17 the institution's Internet website.

18 (f) An institution of higher education that adopts a policy
19 under Subsection (a) shall submit to the Department of State Health
20 Services a copy of the policy and any amendment to the policy
21 adopted by the institution. The department shall maintain a record
22 of the most recent policy and amendments submitted by each
23 institution under this subsection and shall make that information
24 available to the public on request.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.