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H.B. No. 1425

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.