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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the removal of a public school student from an
3 interscholastic athletic activity on the basis of a suspected
4 concussion.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section [38.156](#), Education Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 38.156. REMOVAL FROM PLAY IN PRACTICE OR COMPETITION
9 FOLLOWING CONCUSSION. A student shall be removed from an
10 interscholastic athletics practice or competition immediately if
11 one of the following persons believes the student might have
12 sustained a concussion during the practice or competition:

- 13 (1) a coach;
14 (2) a physician;
15 (3) a licensed health care professional;
16 (4) a person licensed under Chapter [201](#) or [453](#),
17 Occupations Code; or
18 (5) the student's parent or guardian or another person
19 with legal authority to make medical decisions for the student.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.