

1-1 By: Wilson (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 3884  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2019;  
 1-3 May 10, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Education; May 17, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 17, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Campbell	X			
1-11 Fallon	X			
1-12 Hall	X			
1-13 Hughes	X			
1-14 Paxton	X			
1-15 Powell	X			
1-16 Watson	X			
1-17 West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to dissemination of bacterial meningitis information by  
 1-22 school districts.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Sections 38.0025(a) and (c), Education Code, are  
 1-25 amended to read as follows:

1-26 (a) The Department of State Health Services [~~agency~~] shall  
 1-27 prescribe procedures by which each school district shall provide  
 1-28 information relating to bacterial meningitis to its students and  
 1-29 their parents each school year. The procedures must ensure that the  
 1-30 information is reasonably likely to come to the attention of the  
 1-31 parents of each student. The department [~~agency~~] shall prescribe  
 1-32 the form and content of the information. The information must  
 1-33 cover:

1-34 (1) the symptoms of the disease, how it may be  
 1-35 diagnosed, and its possible consequences if untreated;

1-36 (2) how the disease is transmitted, how it may be  
 1-37 prevented, and the relative risk of contracting the disease for  
 1-38 primary and secondary school students;

1-39 (3) the availability and effectiveness of vaccination  
 1-40 against and treatment for the disease, and a brief description of  
 1-41 the risks and possible side effects of vaccination; and

1-42 (4) sources of additional information regarding the  
 1-43 disease, including any appropriate office of the school district  
 1-44 and the appropriate office of the department [~~Texas Department of~~  
 1-45 ~~Health~~].

1-46 (c) A school district, with the written consent of the  
 1-47 Department of State Health Services [~~agency~~], may provide the  
 1-48 information required by this section to its students and their  
 1-49 parents by a method different from the method prescribed by the  
 1-50 department [~~agency~~] under Subsection (a) if the department [~~agency~~]  
 1-51 determines that method would be effective in bringing the  
 1-52 information to the attention of the parents of each student.

1-53 SECTION 2. Section 38.0025(b), Education Code, is repealed.

1-54 SECTION 3. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020  
 1-55 school year.

1-56 SECTION 4. As soon as practicable after the effective date  
 1-57 of this Act, the Department of State Health Services shall develop  
 1-58 the procedures under Section 38.0025, Education Code, as amended by  
 1-59 this Act.

1-60 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-61 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

2-1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-3 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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