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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to influenza information for residents of assisted living facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 247.026, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsections (j) and (k) to read as follows:

(j) The executive commissioner shall require each assisted living facility to provide educational information regarding influenza to each resident of the facility not later than September 1 of each year. The educational information must include:

(1) the risks associated with influenza;

(2) the latest influenza vaccination recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(3) the availability, effectiveness, and known contraindications of the influenza vaccine;

(4) the causes and symptoms of influenza; and

(5) the means by which influenza is spread.

(k) The executive commissioner may not require an assisted living facility to provide or pay for an influenza vaccination.

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