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S.B. No. 2087

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to traumatic injury response protocol and the use of
bleeding control kits in public schools.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 38, Education Code, is
amended by adding Section 38.030 to read as follows:

Sec. 38.030. TRAUMATIC INJURY RESPONSE PROTOCOL. (a) A
school district or open-enrollment charter school shall develop and
annually make available a protocol for school employees and
volunteers to follow in the event of a traumatic injury.

(b) The protocol required under this section must provide
for a school district or open-enrollment charter school to maintain
and make available to school employees and volunteers a bleeding
control kit for use in the event of a traumatic injury involving
blood loss.

(c) A bleeding control kit required under this section must
be a first aid response kit that includes:

(1) a tourniquet approved for use in battlefield
trauma care by the armed forces of the United States;

(2) compression bandages;

(3) bleeding control bandages;

(4) protective gloves;

(5) markers;

(6) scissors; and

1 (7) instructional documents developed by the American
2 College of Surgeons or the United States Department of Homeland
3 Security detailing methods to prevent blood loss following a
4 traumatic event.

5 (d) In addition to the items listed under Subsection (c), a
6 school district or open-enrollment charter school may also include
7 in a bleeding control kit any medical material or equipment that:

8 (1) may be readily stored in a bleeding control kit;

9 (2) may be used to adequately treat an injury
10 involving traumatic blood loss; and

11 (3) is approved by local law enforcement or emergency
12 medical services personnel.

13 (e) A school district or open-enrollment charter school and
14 the employees or volunteers of the district or school are immune
15 from civil liability from damages or injuries resulting from the
16 good faith use of a bleeding control kit by an employee or volunteer
17 of the district or school to control the bleeding of an injured
18 person, provided that:

19 (1) the employee or volunteer followed the protocol
20 developed under Subsection (a); and

21 (2) the employee or volunteer did not act with gross
22 negligence in the use of the bleeding control kit.

23 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
24 of this Act, and not later than January 1, 2020, each school
25 district and open-enrollment charter school shall develop and
26 implement the traumatic injury response protocol required by
27 Section 38.030, Education Code, as added by this Act.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.