A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT
relating to the immunization of public school students against the
coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
SECTION 1. Section 38.001, Education Code, is amended by
adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) In addition to the immunizations required under
Subsection (a) and subject to Subsection (c), each student who is
eligible to receive a coronavirus disease (COVID-19) immunization
shall be fully immunized against the coronavirus disease
(COVID-19). To satisfy the requirement of this subsection, a
student must show proof that the student is immunized in accordance
with the recommended immunization schedule adopted by the
Department of State Health Services based on guidelines and
recommendations by the federal Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention. The executive commissioner of the Health and Human
Services Commission shall adopt rules for the implementation of
this subsection.

SECTION 2. Not later than June 1, 2022, the executive
commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall
adopt the rules necessary to implement Section 38.001(a-1),
Education Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. Section 38.001(a-1), Education Code, as added by
this Act, applies beginning with the 2022-2023 school year.
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SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
legislative session.