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H.B. No. 169

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a prohibition on certain governmental contracts with companies that require employees to receive a COVID-19 vaccination.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code, is amended by adding Chapter 2275 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 2275. MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINATIONS PROHIBITED

Sec. 2275.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) "Company" has the meaning assigned by Section 808.001.

(2) "Political subdivision" means a county, municipality, school district, special purpose district, or other subdivision of state government that has jurisdiction limited to a geographic portion of the state.

(3) "State agency" has the meaning assigned by Section 609.001.

Sec. 2275.002. PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. A state agency or political subdivision may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it does not, and will not during the term of the contract, require, as a condition of employment, an employee to receive any COVID-19 vaccination.

SECTION 2. Chapter 2275, Government Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a contract entered into on or after the

1 effective date of this Act. A contract entered into before that
2 date is governed by the law in effect on the date the contract was
3 entered into, and the former law is continued in effect for that
4 purpose.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
6 last day of the legislative session.