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S.B. No. 30

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority of governmental entities to mandate COVID-19 vaccinations for entity employees.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 161, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 161.0055 to read as follows:

Sec. 161.0055. LOCAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY AUTHORITY TO MANDATE COVID-19 VACCINATIONS FOR ENTITY EMPLOYEES.

(a) In this section:

(1) "COVID-19" means the 2019 novel coronavirus disease.

(2) "Local governmental entity" has the meaning assigned by Section 554.001, Government Code.

(3) "State governmental entity" has the meaning assigned by Section 554.001, Government Code.

(b) Notwithstanding any other law, a local governmental entity or state governmental entity may, as a condition of employment, require an entity employee to provide to the entity in the form and manner prescribed by the entity documentation of the employee's COVID-19 vaccination, including any recommended booster dose of the vaccine.

(c) An executive order, proclamation, or regulation issued under Chapter 418, Government Code, may not suspend, limit, or alter this section or an employment condition established by a

1 local governmental entity or state governmental entity under this  
2 section.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect February 1, 2022.