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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the inclusion of suicide prevention information on student identification cards issued by a public institution of higher education.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter Z, Chapter 51, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 51.91941 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.91941.  SUICIDE PREVENTION INFORMATION REQUIRED ON STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARD. (a) In this section, "institution of higher education" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

(b)  Each student identification card issued by an institution of higher education must have printed on the card the contact information for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

SECTION 2.  Section 51.91941, Education Code, as added by this Act, applies beginning with student identification cards issued for the 2021 fall semester.

SECTION 3.  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 September 1, 2021.