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H.B. No. 3232

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the designation of public health regions and
3 collaboration between a regional director and a regional council of
4 governments.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 121.007, Health and Safety Code, is
7 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to
8 read as follows:

9 (a) The department shall ~~[may]~~ designate not less than 22
10 geographic areas of the state as public health regions to provide
11 public health services.

12 (d) The department shall require each regional director to
13 collaborate with the regional council of governments of any county
14 or municipality in the public health region served by the regional
15 director.

16 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
17 of this Act, the Department of State Health Services shall
18 designate public health regions as required by Section 121.007,
19 Health and Safety Code, as amended by this Act, and appoint regional
20 directors to those public health regions as required by that
21 section.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.