By: Price H.B. No. 3449

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3449:

By: Dutton C.S.H.B. No. 3449

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the membership of a public school concussion oversight

- 3 team and the removal of a public school student from an
- 4 interscholastic athletic activity on the basis of a suspected
- 5 concussion.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 7 SECTION 1. Section 38.154, Education Code, is amended by
- 8 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:
- 9 (a-1) A school district or open-enrollment charter school
- 10 may include any person licensed under Chapter 201 or 453,
- 11 Occupations Code, as a member of the district or charter school
- 12 concussion oversight team, provided that the person meets the
- 13 training requirement under Subsection (c).
- 14 SECTION 2. Section 38.156, Education Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 Sec. 38.156. REMOVAL FROM PLAY IN PRACTICE OR COMPETITION
- 17 FOLLOWING CONCUSSION. A student shall be removed from an
- 18 interscholastic athletics practice or competition immediately if
- 19 one of the following persons believes the student might have
- 20 sustained a concussion during the practice or competition:
- 21 (1) a coach;
- 22 (2) a physician;
- 23 (3) a licensed health care professional;
- 24 (4) a person licensed under Chapter 201 or 453,

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- 1 Occupations Code;
- 2 (5) a school nurse; or
- 3 (6) the student's parent or guardian or another person
- $4\,$ $\,$ with legal authority to make medical decisions for the student.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 9 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.