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S.B. No. 573

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to notice of the right to object to participation in an abortion procedure for health care personnel of a hospital or health care facility.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 103, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 103.005 to read as follows:

Sec. 103.005. REQUIRED NOTICE. A hospital or health care facility shall provide written notice to each physician, nurse, staff member, or employee of the hospital or facility that:

(1) the individual has a right to object to directly or indirectly performing or participating in an abortion procedure;

(2) the hospital or facility is prohibited from discriminating against the individual for refusing to perform or participate in an abortion procedure; and

(3) the individual may be entitled to a remedy, including injunctive relief, affirmative relief, and any other necessary relief, under Section 103.003 for a violation of the individual's right to object.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.