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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, or stalking at certain

2 relating to the reporting of certain incidents of sexual

- 4 public or private institutions of higher education.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 51.252, Education Code, is amended by
- 7 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c-1) to read as
- 8 follows:

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- 9 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c) or (c-1), the
- 10 report must include all information concerning the incident known
- 11 to the reporting person that is relevant to the investigation and,
- 12 if applicable, redress of the incident, including whether an
- 13 alleged victim has expressed a desire for confidentiality in
- 14 reporting the incident.
- 15 (c-1) A campus peace officer employed by a postsecondary
- 16 educational institution who receives information regarding an
- 17 incident described by Subsection (a) from an alleged victim who
- 18 chooses to complete a pseudonym form described by Article 58.102,
- 19 <u>58.152</u>, <u>58.202</u>, or <u>58.252</u>, <u>Code of Criminal Procedure</u>, <u>shall</u>, <u>in</u>
- 20 making a report under this section, state only the type of incident
- 21 reported and may not include the victim's name, phone number,
- 22 address, or other information that may directly or indirectly
- 23 reveal the victim's identity.
- SECTION 2. Section 51.256(c), Education Code, is amended to

- 1 read as follows:
- 2 (c) Nothing in this section may be construed as prohibiting
- 3 a victim from making a report to a law enforcement agency using \underline{a}
- 4 [the] pseudonym form described by Article <u>58.102, 58.152, 58.202,</u>
- 5 or 58.252 [57.02], Code of Criminal Procedure.
- 6 SECTION 3. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
- 7 over another Act of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021,
- 8 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
- 9 codes.
- 10 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 14 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.