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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to notice regarding a parent's access to the health records of certain children.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 181.102, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d)  A covered entity that restricts through an electronic health records system a parent's access to the electronic health records of a child who is 13 years of age or older must notify the parent in writing that the parent may access the child's records by contacting the covered entity. The covered entity shall:

(1)  provide the notification every six months; and

(2)  include in the notification the telephone number, e-mail address, and mailing address of the division of the covered entity that maintains the records.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.