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S.B. No. 2004

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the designation of fentanyl poisoning for purposes of  
3 the death certificate.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 193.005, Health and Safety Code, is  
6 amended to add Subsection (k) as follows:

7 (k) Unless administered as authorized by law, if a  
8 toxicology examination reveals a detectable amount of any Penalty  
9 Group 1-B substance, the death certificate shall include in the  
10 cause of death the presence of such substance and the term 'Fentanyl  
11 Poisoning.'

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