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S.B. No. 71

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to autologous and direct blood donations.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 162, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 162.021 to read as follows:

Sec. 162.021. AUTOLOGOUS OR DIRECT BLOOD DONATION. (a) A blood bank shall comply with a physician's order prescribing for an individual an autologous or direct blood donation.

(b) A blood bank may charge a fee in an amount reasonable and necessary to cover the administrative cost to the blood bank of facilitating an autologous or direct blood donation ordered by a physician under Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 241, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 241.013 to read as follows:

Sec. 241.013. AUTOLOGOUS AND DIRECT BLOOD DONATIONS. A hospital licensed under this chapter that facilitates blood donations shall allow an individual on whom a medical procedure is to be performed to provide an autologous or direct blood donation a physician orders for the procedure.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the legislative session.