

1-1 By: Simmons, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Miles) H.B. No. 107
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 28, 2025;
1-3 April 29, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Health
1-4 & Human Services; May 19, 2025, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 19, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Kolkhorst	X		
1-9	Perry	X		
1-10	Blanco	X		
1-11	Cook	X		
1-12	Hall	X		
1-13	Hancock	X		
1-14	Hughes		X	
1-15	Miles		X	
1-16	Sparks	X		

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the establishment of the sickle cell disease registry.
1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-21 SECTION 1. Subtitle B, Title 2, Health and Safety Code, is
1-22 amended by adding Chapter 52B to read as follows:

1-23 CHAPTER 52B. SICKLE CELL DISEASE REGISTRY
1-24 Sec. 52B.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "health care
1-25 facility" means:

- 1-26 (1) a hospital licensed under Chapter 241; or
1-27 (2) any other facility that provides diagnostic or
1-28 treatment services to patients with sickle cell disease.

1-29 Sec. 52B.002. REGISTRY; CONTENTS. (a) The department
1-30 shall establish and maintain a sickle cell disease registry in
1-31 accordance with this chapter for use as a single repository of
1-32 accurate, complete records of sickle cell disease cases to aid in
1-33 the cure and treatment of sickle cell disease in this state.

1-34 (b) The sickle cell disease registry must include:

- 1-35 (1) a record of sickle cell disease cases that occur in
1-36 this state; and
1-37 (2) any other information concerning sickle cell
1-38 disease cases the executive commissioner considers necessary and
1-39 appropriate to assist with the cure or treatment of sickle cell
1-40 disease.

1-41 Sec. 52B.003. DATA FROM HEALTH CARE FACILITIES. A health
1-42 care facility shall provide to the department, in the form and
1-43 manner the department prescribes, data the department considers
1-44 necessary and appropriate concerning sickle cell disease cases.

1-45 Sec. 52B.004. DEPARTMENT POWERS; RULES. (a) To implement
1-46 this chapter, the department may:

- 1-47 (1) execute necessary contracts;
1-48 (2) receive data from health care facilities
1-49 concerning sickle cell disease cases to record and analyze the data
1-50 directly related to the disease; and
1-51 (3) compile and publish statistical and other studies
1-52 derived from data obtained under this chapter to provide, in an
1-53 accessible form, information useful to physicians, other medical
1-54 personnel, and the public.

1-55 (b) The executive commissioner shall adopt rules to
1-56 implement this chapter.

1-57 (c) The executive commissioner by rule shall develop
1-58 guidelines to:

- 1-59 (1) obtain data from health care facilities regarding
1-60 sickle cell disease cases;
1-61 (2) protect the confidentiality of individuals

2-1 diagnosed with sickle cell disease in accordance with Section
 2-2 159.002, Occupations Code; and
 2-3 (3) ensure the registry is developed in a manner
 2-4 consistent with:
 2-5 (A) the Health Insurance Portability and
 2-6 Accountability Act of 1996 (Pub. L. No. 104-191) and regulations
 2-7 adopted under that Act; and
 2-8 (B) other applicable laws and regulations
 2-9 governing disclosure of health information.
 2-10 Sec. 52B.005. REPORTS. (a) The department shall submit an
 2-11 annual report to the legislature on the information obtained under
 2-12 this chapter.
 2-13 (b) The department, in cooperation with other sickle cell
 2-14 disease reporting organizations and research institutions, may
 2-15 publish reports the department determines are necessary to carry
 2-16 out the purposes of this chapter.
 2-17 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
 2-18 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human
 2-19 Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement
 2-20 Chapter 52B, Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act.
 2-21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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