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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the duties of the Texas Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee.

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

SECTION 1. Section 34.005, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 34.005. DUTIES OF REVIEW COMMITTEE. The review committee shall annually, using data from the preceding year:

(1) study and review:

(A) cases of pregnancy-related deaths;

(B) trends, rates, and ~~or~~ disparities in pregnancy-related deaths and severe maternal morbidity;

(C) health conditions and factors that disproportionately affect the most at-risk population as determined in the joint biennial report required under Section 34.015; and

(D) best practices and programs operating in other states that have reduced rates of pregnancy-related deaths;

(2) compare rates of pregnancy-related deaths based on the socioeconomic status of the mother;

(3) determine the feasibility of the review committee studying cases of severe maternal morbidity; and

(4) in consultation with the Perinatal Advisory Council, make recommendations to help reduce the incidence of

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1 pregnancy-related deaths and severe maternal morbidity in this  
2 state.

3       SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.