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H.B. No. 3020

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to statewide standing orders prescribing epinephrine  
3 auto-injectors, medication for respiratory distress, and opioid  
4 antagonists to public and private schools.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 38.211, Education Code, is amended by  
7 adding Subsection (b-1) and amending Subsection (c) to read as  
8 follows:

9 (b-1) The commissioner of state health services or, if the  
10 commissioner is not a physician, the chief medical executive of the  
11 Department of State Health Services shall issue statewide standing  
12 orders prescribing epinephrine auto-injectors and medication for  
13 respiratory distress to a school district, open-enrollment charter  
14 school, or private school.

15 (c) The standing order under Subsection (b) or (b-1) is not  
16 required to be patient-specific, and the epinephrine auto-injector  
17 or medication for respiratory distress may be administered to a  
18 person without a previously established physician-patient  
19 relationship.

20 SECTION 2. Section 38.225, Education Code, is amended by  
21 adding Subsection (b-1) and amending Subsection (c) to read as  
22 follows:

23 (b-1) The commissioner of state health services or, if the  
24 commissioner is not a physician, the chief medical executive of the

1 Department of State Health Services shall issue a statewide  
2 standing order prescribing opioid antagonists to a school district,  
3 open-enrollment charter school, or private school.

4 (c) The standing order under Subsection (b) or (b-1) is not  
5 required to be patient-specific, and the opioid antagonist may be  
6 administered to a person without a previously established  
7 physician-patient relationship.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
12 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.