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H.B. No. 3032

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to a study by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating  
3 Board in coordination with other state agencies on the feasibility  
4 of developing clinical sites for nursing students.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 61, Education Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 61.9630 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 61.9630. STUDY ON POTENTIAL CLINICAL SITE FACILITIES.

9 (a) In this section:

10 (1) "Correctional facility" has the meaning assigned  
11 by Section 1.07, Penal Code.

12 (2) "Federally qualified health center" has the  
13 meaning assigned by 42 U.S.C. Section 1396d(1)(2)(B).

14 (3) "Hospital" has the meaning assigned by Section  
15 58A.001.

16 (4) "State juvenile facility" has the meaning assigned  
17 by Article 49.18, Code of Criminal Procedure.

18 (b) The board shall conduct a study in collaboration with  
19 the Health and Human Services Commission, the Texas Board of  
20 Nursing, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and the Texas  
21 Juvenile Justice Department regarding the feasibility of  
22 establishing clinical sites at correctional facilities, state  
23 juvenile facilities, hospitals, and federally qualified health  
24 centers to provide clinical learning experiences for nursing

1 students.

2 (c) Not later than December 1, 2026, the board shall submit  
3 to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house  
4 of representatives, and each standing legislative committee with  
5 primary jurisdiction over higher education or nursing a written  
6 report that includes the results of the study and any  
7 recommendations for legislative or other action.

8 (d) This section expires September 1, 2027.

9 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
10 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
11 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
12 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
13 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.