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H.B. No. 3062

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to fentanyl prevention and drug poisoning awareness education for students enrolled in public institutions of higher education.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 51, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 51.9363 to read as follows:

Sec. 51.9363. FENTANYL PREVENTION AND DRUG POISONING AWARENESS EDUCATION. (a) In this section, "institution of higher education" and "private or independent institution of higher education" have the meanings assigned by Section 61.003.

(b) Each institution of higher education shall provide research-based instruction related to fentanyl prevention and drug poisoning awareness to entering undergraduate students as soon as practicable during the students' first semester or term at the institution.

(c) The instruction required by this section must include:

(1) suicide prevention;

(2) prevention of the abuse of and addiction to fentanyl;

(3) awareness of local institution and community resources and any processes involved in accessing those resources; and

(4) health education that includes information about

1 substance use and abuse, including young adult substance use and
2 abuse.

3 (d) The instruction required by this section may be provided
4 online and by an entity or an employee or agent of an entity that is:

5 (1) an institution of higher education or private or
6 independent institution of higher education;

7 (2) a library;

8 (3) a community service organization;

9 (4) a religious organization;

10 (5) a local public health agency; or

11 (6) an organization employing mental health
12 professionals.

13 SECTION 2. Section 51.9363, Education Code, as added by
14 this Act, applies beginning with undergraduate students who
15 initially enroll in a public institution of higher education for
16 the 2026 fall semester.

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