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H.B. No. 3651

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an elective course on automobile maintenance for public high school students.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 28, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 28.015 to read as follows:

Sec. 28.015. ELECTIVE COURSE ON AUTOMOBILE MAINTENANCE.

(a) A school district may offer to students in grades 9 through 12 an elective course on automobile maintenance that meets the requirements for an elective credit under Section 28.025.

(b) A course under this section must include instruction in and information relating to:

(1) checking and refilling or replacing:

(A) engine oil;

(B) coolant;

(C) brake fluid;

(D) transmission fluid; and

(E) power steering fluid;

(2) checking tire pressure and tire tread depth;

(3) changing a tire, performing a tire rotation, and repairing a flat tire;

(4) battery maintenance, including the correct method for jumpstarting a battery;

(5) checking and replacing:

1 (A) fuses;

2 (B) engine air filters; and

3 (C) cabin air filters;

4 (6) the meaning of common dashboard warning lights;

5 and

6 (7) safe working practices in an automotive
7 environment, including proper tool usage and safe disposal of
8 fluids or hazardous materials.

9 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026
10 school year.

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