

1-1 By: Ward Johnson, et al. H.B. No. 4361  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2025;  
1-4 May 7, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Education  
1-5 K-16; May 25, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-6 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 25, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Creighton	X			
1-10	Campbell	X			
1-11	Bettencourt	X			
1-12	Hagenbuch			X	
1-13	Hinojosa of Nueces	X			
1-14	King	X			
1-15	Menéndez	X			
1-16	Middleton	X			
1-17	Parker	X			
1-18	Paxton	X			
1-19	West			X	

1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to establishing policies regarding the timely issuance of  
1-23 emergency notifications at public institutions of higher  
1-24 education.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is  
1-27 amended by adding Section 61.070 to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 61.070. COORDINATION OF EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS. The  
1-29 board, in consultation with administrators, faculty, staff, and  
1-30 students at institutions of higher education, shall adopt rules  
1-31 regarding standardized procedures for timely issuing emergency  
1-32 notifications in accordance with the Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Act  
1-33 (20 U.S.C. Section 1092(f)), including emergency alerts through the  
1-34 system required under Section 51.218.

1-35 SECTION 2. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board  
1-36 shall adopt the rules required by Section 61.070, Education Code,  
1-37 as added by this Act, as soon as practicable after the effective  
1-38 date of this Act.

1-39 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-43 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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