

1-1 By: McQueeney, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hancock) H.B. No. 4535  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 15, 2025;  
1-3 May 19, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &  
1-4 Human Services; May 23, 2025, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 1; May 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11		X		
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14			X	
1-15	X			
1-16	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to COVID-19 vaccine administration requirements.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 161, Health and Safety  
1-22 Code, is amended by adding Section 161.0086 to read as follows:

1-23 Sec. 161.0086. COVID-19 VACCINATION ADMINISTRATION

1-24 REQUIREMENTS. (a) In this section:

1-25 (1) "COVID-19" means the 2019 novel coronavirus  
1-26 disease.

1-27 (2) "Health care provider" means an individual  
1-28 licensed or otherwise authorized by this state to administer  
1-29 vaccines.

1-30 (b) Before administering a COVID-19 vaccination to an  
1-31 individual, a health care provider must obtain the individual's  
1-32 written informed consent, or if the individual is a minor or lacks  
1-33 the mental capacity to provide informed consent, the parent,  
1-34 guardian, or conservator who may provide written informed consent  
1-35 on the individual's behalf. The informed consent required under  
1-36 this section must include an acknowledgment that the individual  
1-37 providing informed consent received the information sheet  
1-38 described by Subsection (c).

1-39 (c) The department shall develop a standardized information  
1-40 sheet that includes information on:

1-41 (1) the benefits and risks associated with COVID-19  
1-42 vaccination, including potential side effects;

1-43 (2) the expedited manner in which the COVID-19 vaccine  
1-44 was developed;

1-45 (3) whether long-term scientific studies have been  
1-46 performed on the COVID-19 vaccine;

1-47 (4) whether manufacturers of the COVID-19 vaccine are  
1-48 subject to civil liability for any injuries caused by the vaccine;  
1-49 and

1-50 (5) the federal Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting  
1-51 System, including clear instructions for reporting any  
1-52 vaccine-related injury or reaction.

1-53 (d) The appropriate licensing authority may impose  
1-54 disciplinary action on a health care provider who administers a  
1-55 COVID-19 vaccination in violation of this section in the same  
1-56 manner and using the same procedures as the authority uses to impose  
1-57 disciplinary action on a provider who violates the authority's  
1-58 licensing or other regulatory laws or rules.

1-59 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

1-60 \* \* \* \* \*