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S.B. No. 674

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to instruction on hunter education 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 28.0121 to read as follows:

Sec. 28.0121. HUNTER EDUCATION PROGRAM. (a) A school district or open-enrollment charter school that offers a high school program may provide to students in one or more courses offered for high school graduation instruction on hunter education based on the curriculum guidelines developed under Subsection (b).

(b) The State Board of Education shall develop curriculum guidelines for hunter education. The curriculum guidelines must:

(1) be developed in cooperation with the Parks and Wildlife Department; and

(2) meet the requirements necessary to receive a hunter education certificate under Section 62.014(c), Parks and Wildlife Code.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the State Board of Education shall develop the curriculum guidelines required under Section 28.0121(b), Education Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

1           SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.