

By: _____ .B. No. _____

Substitute the following for .B. No. _____:

By: _____ C.S..B. No. _____

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to notice of an animal's exposure or possible exposure in
3 an animal shelter to certain infectious diseases.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 823, Health and Safety Code, is amended
6 by adding Section 823.004 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 823.004. REQUIRED NOTICE OF CERTAIN INFECTIOUS
8 DISEASES. (a) An animal shelter shall provide written,
9 electronic, or telephonic notice to a person who adopts an animal
10 from the shelter if the adopted animal was or may have been exposed
11 to a bodily fluid of another animal in the shelter that was
12 diagnosed with bordetella, distemper, kennel cough, leptospirosis,
13 parvovirus, or rabies and the shelter learns of the exposure during
14 the period:

15 (1) beginning on the 15th day before the date the
16 person adopts the animal; and

17 (2) ending on the 15th day after the date the person
18 adopts the animal.

19 (b) Section 823.009 does not apply to this section.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.