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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

# 1 AN ACT

2 relating to human papillomavirus education programs.

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

4 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 161, Health and Safety  
5 Code, is amended by adding Section 161.0107 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 161.0107. HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS; VACCINES EDUCATION  
7 MATERIALS. The department, using existing resources, shall produce  
8 and distribute informational materials regarding vaccines against  
9 human papillomavirus that are approved by the United States Food  
10 and Drug Administration for human use. The materials must include  
11 information relating to the effectiveness, availability, and  
12 contraindications of the vaccines. The materials must be available  
13 in English and in Spanish.

14 SECTION 2. Chapter 163, Health and Safety Code, is amended  
15 by adding Section 163.003 to read as follows:

16 Sec. 163.003. ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL ELEMENTS REGARDING  
17 HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS. Course materials and instruction relating to  
18 sexually transmitted diseases must be available in English and in  
19 Spanish and should include:

20 (1) the following specific information on human  
21 papillomavirus:

1       protection;

2               (B) that both males and females may be infected  
3       with human papillomavirus and symptoms may not be present;

4               (C) that younger women are at greater risk of  
5       human papillomavirus infection than older women; and

6               (D) that human papillomavirus may be transmitted  
7       to an infant during childbirth;

8               (2) information regarding the role of human  
9       papillomavirus in the development of genital warts, cervical  
10       cancer, and other diseases; and

11               (3) information regarding the continuing need for  
12       women to undergo Pap smear testing, even if they have received a  
13       vaccination against human papillomavirus.

14       SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.