1-1 By: Patterson, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Alvarado) H.B. No. 1639
1-2   (In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 2025;
1-3 May 8, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &
1-4 Human Services; May 19, 2025, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 19, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6   COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Kolkhorst	X			
1-9	Perry	X			
1-10	Blanco	X			
1-11	Cook	X			
1-12	Hall	X			
1-13	Hancock	X			
1-14	Hughes			X	
1-15	Miles			X	
1-16	Sparks	X			

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

1-19 relating to a study on the increased incidence of cancer in female
1-20 firefighters in this state.
1-21   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-22   SECTION 1. (a) In this Act:
1-23   (1) "Commission" means the Texas Commission on Fire
1-24 Protection.
1-25   (2) "Department" means the Department of State Health
1-26 Services.
1-27   (3) "Registry" means the cancer registry established
1-28 under Chapter 82, Health and Safety Code.
1-29   (b) The department, in collaboration with the commission
1-30 and using registry information, shall conduct a study on the
1-31 increased incidence of cancer in female firefighters in this state.
1-32   (c) In conducting the study, the department and commission
1-33 shall, using registry information and data collected from readily
1-34 available sources, compare cancer rates among female firefighters
1-35 in this state to cancer rates among other women, focusing on cancers
1-36 specific to women, including ovarian and breast cancer.
1-37   (d) Not later than September 1, 2026:
1-38   (1) the department shall prepare and submit to the
1-39 legislature a written report containing the results of the study
1-40 and any recommendations for legislative or other action; and
1-41   (2) the department and commission shall make the
1-42 report publicly available by posting the report on the agencies'
1-43 and registry's respective Internet websites.
1-44   (e) This Act expires September 1, 2027.
1-45   SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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