

1-1 By: Alvarado S.B. No. 1177
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 7, 2025; February 28, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government;
1-4 April 14, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; April 14, 2025,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Bettencourt	X			
1-10	Middleton	X			
1-11	Cook	X			
1-12	Gutierrez			X	
1-13	Nichols			X	
1-14	Paxton	X			
1-15	West	X			

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1177 By: Gutierrez

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

1-19 relating to fire safety inspections at public and private schools.
1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-21 SECTION 1. Section 419.029, Government Code, is amended to
1-22 read as follows:
1-23 Sec. 419.029. TRAINING CURRICULUM. (a) The commission may
1-24 establish minimum curriculum requirements for preparatory,
1-25 in-service, and advanced courses and programs for a school operated
1-26 by or for this state or a local government specifically for training
1-27 fire protection personnel or recruits.
1-28 (b) The minimum curriculum requirements established by the
1-29 commission under Subsection (a) must require training on conducting
1-30 a fire safety inspection at a public or private school in accordance
1-31 with Section 419.909.
1-32 SECTION 2. Section 419.909, Government Code, is amended by
1-33 adding Subsections (b-1), (b-2), and (b-3) to read as follows:
1-34 (b-1) A fire safety inspection of a public or private
1-35 school, including an open-enrollment charter school, required by a
1-36 state or local law, rule, regulation, or ordinance must include an
1-37 examination of each automated external defibrillator, as defined by
1-38 Section 779.001, Health and Safety Code, on the school campus to
1-39 determine whether the defibrillator is fully functional, which must
1-40 include verifying that that defibrillator's pads and battery have
1-41 not expired and that the defibrillator's status indicator light
1-42 indicates that the device is ready for use. A representative of the
1-43 school campus shall present each automated external defibrillator
1-44 for inspection.
1-45 (b-2) A person who conducts a fire safety inspection
1-46 described by Subsection (b-1) must:
1-47 (1) provide a written report of the inspection and any
1-48 relevant paperwork pertaining to the findings of the inspection to:
1-49 (A) if the inspection is of a public school, the
1-50 principal of the school and the superintendent of the applicable
1-51 school district; or
1-52 (B) if the inspection is of a private school, the
1-53 director of the school; and
1-54 (2) at the time the person provides the report as
1-55 required by Subdivision (1), indicate on the report the method by
1-56 which, and the time and date on which, the person provided the
1-57 report to the appropriate person under that subdivision.
1-58 (b-3) The report required under Subsection (b-2) must be
1-59 filed:
1-60 (1) at the school campus to which the report relates;

2-1 and
2-2 (2) according to the year in which the inspection
2-3 occurred.
2-4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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