

1-1 By: Garcia, Lucio S.B. No. 196
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 14, 2016; January 25, 2017,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Education;
 1-4 April 24, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 3; April 24, 2017,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8 Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-9 Lucio	X			
1-10 Bettencourt	X			
1-11 Campbell	X			
1-12 Hall		X		
1-13 Huffines		X		
1-14 Hughes	X			
1-15 Seliger	X			
1-16 Taylor of Collin		X		
1-17 Uresti	X			
1-18 West	X			

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 196 By: West

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to a notification requirement if a public school,
 1-24 including an open-enrollment charter school, does not have a nurse,
 1-25 school counselor, or librarian assigned to the school during all
 1-26 instructional hours.

1-27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-28 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 25, Education Code, is
 1-29 amended by adding Section 25.097 to read as follows:

1-30 Sec. 25.097. PARENTAL NOTIFICATION CONCERNING NURSES,
 1-31 SCHOOL COUNSELORS, AND LIBRARIANS. (a) In this section:

1-32 (1) "Librarian" means a person certified as a
 1-33 librarian under Subchapter B, Chapter 21.

1-34 (2) "Nurse" means a person licensed under Chapter 301,
 1-35 Occupations Code.

1-36 (3) "School counselor" means a person certified as a
 1-37 school counselor under Subchapter B, Chapter 21.

1-38 (b) A public school, including an open-enrollment charter
 1-39 school, that does not have a full-time nurse, school counselor, or
 1-40 librarian or the equivalent of a full-time nurse, school counselor,
 1-41 or librarian assigned to be present at the school for more than 30
 1-42 consecutive instructional days during the same school year shall
 1-43 provide written notice of the absence to the parent of or other
 1-44 person standing in parental relation to each student enrolled in
 1-45 the school.

1-46 (c) A school has the equivalent of a full-time nurse under
 1-47 Subsection (b) if the school has two or more nurses assigned to the
 1-48 school and all regular student instructional hours at the campus
 1-49 during the regular school day are covered by the assignment of at
 1-50 least one nurse.

1-51 (d) A school has the equivalent of a full-time school
 1-52 counselor under Subsection (b) if the school has two or more school
 1-53 counselors assigned to the school and all regular student
 1-54 instructional hours at the campus during the regular school day are
 1-55 covered by the assignment of at least one school counselor.

1-56 (e) A school has the equivalent of a full-time librarian
 1-57 under Subsection (b) if the school has two or more librarians
 1-58 assigned to the school and all regular student instructional hours
 1-59 at the campus during the regular school day are covered by the
 1-60 assignment of at least one librarian.

