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H.B. No. 2240

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the public's ability to access the results of a hospital inspection, survey, or investigation conducted by the Department of State Health Services.

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

SECTION 1. Section 241.051, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) The department shall make the findings of an inspection, a survey, or an investigation conducted under Subsection (a) available to the public on the department's Internet website. The department may not disclose individually identifiable information concerning a patient or health care professional in the information made available to the public under this subsection.

SECTION 2. Sections 241.051(d) and (e), Health and Safety Code, are repealed.

SECTION 3. The executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement Section 241.051(a-1), Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.