

CHAPTER 853

H.B. No. 1805

AN ACT

relating to signs posted in food service establishments depicting the Heimlich maneuver to dislodge food from a choking person.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. SIGNS DEPICTING HEIMLICH MANEUVER. Every food service establishment where space is designed or designated for eating purposes shall have posted, in a place conspicuous to employees or customers, a sign prescribed by the Texas Department of Health that graphically depicts the Heimlich maneuver for dislodging food from a choking person.

SECTION 2. HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO PRESCRIBE SIGNS. The Texas Department of Health shall by rule specify the design, size, and wording of signs required by this Act.

SECTION 3. SIGNS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH. The signs required by this Act shall be printed in English and Spanish.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987.

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

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Passed by the House on May 22, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 29, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.