

SUBJECT: Requiring notification of peanut products in certain food establishments

COMMITTEE: Public Health — committee substitute recommended

VOTE: 9 ayes — S. Thompson, Allison, Coleman, Guerra, Lucio, Ortega, Price, Sheffield, Zedler

1 nay — Frank

1 absent — Wray

WITNESSES: For — (*Registered, but did not testify:* Alyssa Thomason, Doctors for Change; Troy Alexander, Texas Medical Association; Audrey Spanko)

Against — None

On — (*Registered, but did not testify:* Stephen Pahl, Department of State Health Services)

DIGEST: CSHB 1015 would require a food service establishment with a designed or designated space for eating that prepared a food item containing peanuts or a peanut product to post a warning sign in a conspicuous place in the area of the establishment in which food was consumed or on the menu. The sign would be required to state, "This establishment prepares food items that contain peanut products."

The executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission would be required to adopt any necessary rules to implement the bill's provisions.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2020.