



# The Student Senate

Texas A&M University

S.B. 71-10

The Student Senate  
71st Session  
Texas A&M University

**Introduced By:** Senator Eric Mendoza, Chair of Legislative Affairs, Off-Campus Caucus  
Gregory Cross, Vice-President, Legislative Relations Commission  
Creager Davis, Legislative Relations Commission  
Ellie Conrad, Legislative Relations Commission  
Katherine Stagner, Legislative Relations Commission

**Sponsored By:** ~~Senator Sam Walter, Off-Campus Caucus~~

**Action Taken**

PASSED

**Certified By:**

Handwritten signature of Mitch Parker.

Mitch Parker  
Speaker of the Senate

**Duly Approved:**

Handwritten signature of Amy Sharp.

Amy Sharp  
Student Body President

## Good Samaritan Law Reformation Bill

*"A bill requesting that individuals be granted legal protection when seeking medical attention due to impairment from substance abuse."*

**Whereas(1):** Currently, individuals who find themselves or others in dangerous situations due to illegal narcotics often do not call emergency services to help an incapacitated individual in fear of possible legal repercussions; and,

**Whereas(2):** There is currently no legal protection afforded the victim of a possible overdose for which medical assistance was requested, by the actor or by another person, during an ongoing medical emergency; and,

**Whereas(3):** There is currently no legal protection afforded to individuals that make calls to medical services and emergency responders under the presence of illegal narcotics.



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**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(1):** The Legislative Relations Commission shall be dispatched as the authorized authority in advocating for this bill; and,

**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(2):** The first individual to contact the necessary authorities in response to the possible overdose on illegal narcotics by another will not be prosecuted despite:

- a. their presence at a time in which illegal activity is happening; or,
- b. their own involvement in said illegal activity.

**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(3):** The individual that calls on behalf of the incapacitated individual must:

- a. Remain on the scene until medical help arrives; and
- b. Cooperate fully with medical help and law enforcement

**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(4):** The incapacitated party, provided that their need for medical attention is legitimate is afforded protection from legal prosecution resulting from their use of illegal narcotics; with “legitimate need for medical attention” being defined as being deemed “legitimate” by a medical professional.



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Speaker of the Senate

**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(5):** That a copy of this bill be sent to the following:  
John Sharp '72, Chancellor of the Texas A&M University System  
Michael Young, President of the Texas A&M University  
Michael O'Quinn, Texas A&M Vice President of Government Relations  
Senator Charles Schwertner, District 5  
Representative John Raney, District 14  
Senator Jane Nelson, District 12  
Senator Kirk Watson, District 14  
Texas Representative Ryan Guillen, District 31