

By: Johnson of Dallas

H.B. No. 2709

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to an application for court-ordered mental health services

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

4 SECTION 1. Section 574.001, Health and Safety Code, is
5 amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (3) to
6 read as follows:

7 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (f), the application
8 must be filed with the county clerk in the county in which the
9 proposed patient:

- 10 (1) resides;
- 11 (2) is found; ~~or~~
- 12 (3) is being assessed in an emergency room or
13 hospital; or
- 14 (4) is receiving mental health services by court order
15 or under Subchapter A, Chapter 573.

16 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect on September 1, 2021.