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S.B. No. 1193

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an on-site physician and disclosure of physician information at a freestanding emergency medical care facility.

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

SECTION 1. Section 254.001, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (5-a) to read as follows:

(5-a) "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine in this state.

SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 254, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Sections 254.1535 and 254.1565 to read as follows:

Sec. 254.1535. ON-SITE PHYSICIAN REQUIRED; PATIENT RIGHT TO REQUEST PHYSICIAN. (a) A facility shall have at least one physician present at the facility at all times while the facility is open to provide health care services to patients.

(b) A patient has the right to request that a physician perform all the patient's health care services and to receive health care services from a physician within a reasonable time of the request.

Sec. 254.1565. DISCLOSURE OF ON-SITE PHYSICIAN. (a) A facility shall display a poster or other written document that in a clear and conspicuous manner discloses:

(1) the name of the physician supervising any health care practitioners who are not physicians and who provide health

1 care services at the facility;

2 (2) the supervising physician's license number; and

3 (3) any board certification held by the supervising
4 physician.

5 (b) A poster or other written document displayed under
6 Subsection (a) must include the statement that any patient may
7 request to see a physician and receive care from a physician within
8 a reasonable time.

9 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.