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S.B. No. 2628

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring medical clearance before admission to an inpatient mental health facility.

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

SECTION 1. Section 575.001, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(a) Subject to Subsection (c), the ~~The~~ facility administrator of an inpatient mental health facility may admit and detain a patient under the procedures prescribed by this subtitle.

(c) A patient may not be admitted under Subsection (a) unless the patient has undergone a medical examination that determines that the patient does not have a medical condition that would prevent facility staff from providing care to the patient or other patients.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to an admission to an inpatient mental health facility on or after the effective date of this Act. An admission before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on that date, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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