

1-1 By: Zaffirini S.B. No. 627
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed December 16, 2024; February 3, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;
1-4 March 4, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,
1-5 Nays 0; March 4, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the licensing and regulation of dietitians.
1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-23 SECTION 1. Section 701.151(b), Occupations Code, is amended
1-24 to read as follows:
1-25 (b) The commission or the department, as appropriate,
1-26 shall:
1-27 (1) adopt and publish a code of ethics;
1-28 (2) establish the qualifications ~~[and fitness]~~ of
1-29 applicants for licenses, including renewed and reciprocal
1-30 licenses; and
1-31 (3) request and receive any necessary assistance from
1-32 state educational institutions or other state agencies.
1-33 SECTION 2. Section 701.251(b), Occupations Code, is amended
1-34 to read as follows:
1-35 (b) Unless the person holds an appropriate license issued
1-36 under this chapter, a person may not:
1-37 (1) use the title or represent or imply that the person
1-38 has the title "licensed dietitian" ~~[or "provisional licensed~~
1-39 ~~dietitian"]~~ or use the letters "LD" ~~[or "PLD"]~~; or
1-40 (2) use a facsimile of that title ~~[those titles]~~ to
1-41 indicate or imply that the person is a licensed dietitian ~~[or~~
1-42 ~~provisional licensed dietitian]~~.
1-43 SECTION 3. Section 701.304, Occupations Code, is amended to
1-44 read as follows:
1-45 Sec. 701.304. GROUNDS FOR REFUSING RENEWAL. The commission
1-46 or department may refuse to renew the license of a person who fails
1-47 to pay an administrative penalty imposed against the person under
1-48 Subchapter F, Chapter 51 ~~[*]~~, unless enforcement of the penalty is
1-49 stayed or a court has ordered that the administrative penalty is not
1-50 owed.
1-51 SECTION 4. The following provisions of the Occupations Code
1-52 are repealed:
1-53 (1) Section 701.002(9);
1-54 (2) Section 701.1511; and
1-55 (3) Section 701.403.
1-56 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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