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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to showing the cause of death on the death certificate of
- 3 an inmate of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice who is
- 4 lawfully executed.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 193.005, Health and Safety Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Subsection (j) to read as follows:
- 8 (j) The death certificate of a decedent who was an inmate of
- 9 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice at the time of death and
- 10 who was lawfully executed shall classify the death as a death caused
- 11 by judicial execution.
- 12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 16 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.