

Amend **HB 1718** as follows:

On page 2, line 24, amend House Bill 1718 (engrossed) by adding a new SECTION 2 to read as follows and renumber the subsequent sections appropriately:

SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 241, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 241.0262 to read as follows:

Section 241.0262. CIRCULATING DUTIES FOR SURGICAL SERVICES. Circulating duties in the operating room must be performed by qualified registered nurses. In accordance with approved medical staff policies and procedures, licensed vocational nurses and surgical technologists may assist in circulatory duties under the direct supervision of a qualified registered nurse circulator.