By: Nixon H.B. No. 737

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to updating citations to Chapter 74, Civil Practice and
- 3 Remedies Code, in Chapter 88, Civil Practice and Remedies Code.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 88.001(4), Civil Practice and Remedies
- 6 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 (4) "Health care provider" means a person or entity as
- 8 defined in Section 74.001 [1.03(a)(3), Medical Liability and
- 9 Insurance Improvement Act of Texas (Article 4590i, Vernon's Texas
- 10 <u>Civil Statutes</u>].
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 88.002(k), Civil Practice and Remedies
- 12 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- (k) An enrollee who files an action under this chapter shall
- 14 comply with the requirements of Section 74.351 [13.01, Medical
- 15 Liability and Insurance Improvement Act of Texas (Article 4590i,
- 16 Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), as it relates to [cost bonds,
- 17 deposits, and] expert reports.
- 18 SECTION 3. This Act applies only to a cause of action that
- 19 accrues on or after the effective date of this Act. An action that
- 20 accrued before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law
- 21 applicable to the action immediately before the effective date of
- this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 23 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.