By: Nixon H.B. No. 740

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to updating citations to Chapter 74, Civil Practice and

Remedies Code, in Chapter 578, Health and Safety Code.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 578.003(a), Health and Safety Code, is

6 amended to read as follows:

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- 7 (a) The board by rule shall adopt a standard written consent
- 8 form to be used when electroconvulsive therapy is considered. The
- 9 board by rule shall also prescribe the information that must be
- 10 contained in the written supplement required under Subsection (c).
- 11 In addition to the information required under this section, the
- 12 form must include the information required by the Texas Medical
- 13 Disclosure Panel for electroconvulsive therapy. In developing the
- 14 form, the board shall consider recommendations of the panel. Use of
- the consent form prescribed by the board in the manner prescribed by
- 16 this section creates a rebuttable presumption that the disclosure
- 17 requirements of Sections 74.104 and 74.105, Civil Practice and
- 18 Remedies Code [6.05 and 6.06, Medical Liability and Insurance
- 19 Improvement Act of Texas (Article 4590i, Vernon's Texas Civil
- 20 Statutes), have been met.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a cause of action that
- 22 accrues on or after the effective date of this Act. An action that
- 23 accrued before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law
- 24 applicable to the action immediately before the effective date of

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- 1 this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.