

AN ACT

relating to updating citations to Chapter 74, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, in Chapter 164, Occupations Code.

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

SECTION 1. Section 164.201, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 164.201. REVIEW BY BOARD IF THREE OR MORE MALPRACTICE CLAIMS. The board shall review the medical competency of a physician against whom three or more expert reports under Section 74.351, Civil Practice and Remedies Code [~~13.01, Medical Liability and Insurance Improvement Act of Texas (Article 4590i, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)~~], have been filed in three separate lawsuits within a five-year period in the same manner as if a complaint against the physician had been made to the board under Section 154.051.

SECTION 2. This Act applies to the review of medical competency based on filed reports, without regard to whether the reports were filed before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

H.B. No. 744

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 744 was passed by the House on March 23, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 744 was passed by the Senate on May 10, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor