By: Chavez H.B. No. 1924

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT

- 2 relating to public entity qualified health centers located along
- 3 the Texas-Mexico border.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Chapter 162, Occupations Code is amended by 6 amending Section 162.001(c) to read as follows:
- 7 (c) The board shall certify a health organization to
- 8 contract with or employ physicians licensed by the board if the
- 9 organization:
- 10 (1) is a non profit corporation under the Texas
- 11 Non-Profit Corporation Act (Article 1396-1.01 et seq., Vernon's
- 12 Texas Civil Statutes) and Section 501 (c)(3), Internal Revenue Code
- of 1986 (26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)); and or,
- 14 (2) is a hospital district that is located in a county
- 15 that borders the United Mexican States and is otherwise recognized
- 16 by an agency of the federal government as a public entity for
- 17 purposes of administering a community health center or a federally
- 18 qualified health center; and
- 19 (3) [(2)] is organized and operated as:
- 20 (A) a migrant, community, or homeless health
- 21 center under the authority of and in compliance with 42 U.S.C.
- 22 Section 254b or 254c; or
- 23 (B) a federally qualified health center under 42
- 24 U.S.C. Section 1396(1)(2)(B).

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1 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.