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S.B. No. 1705

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the authority of the Dallas County Hospital District to appoint, contract for, or employ physicians, dentists, and other 3 health care providers. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 281, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 281.0282 to read as follows: 7 Sec. 281.0282. DALLAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT; EMPLOYMENT 8 OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. (a) The board of the Dallas County 9 Hospital District may appoint, contract for, or employ physicians, 10 dentists, and other health care providers as the board considers 11 necessary for the efficient operation of the district. 12 (b) The term of an employment contract entered into under 13 14 this section may not exceed four years. (c) This section may not be construed as authorizing the 15 16 board of the Dallas County Hospital District to supervise or control the practice of medicine, as prohibited by Subtitle B, 17 Title 3, Occupations Code. 18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 22

23 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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