

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the Bexar County Hospital District to employ physicians.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 281, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 281.0283 to read as follows:

Sec. 281.0283. BEXAR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT; EMPLOYMENT OF PHYSICIANS. (a) The board of the Bexar County Hospital District may employ physicians as the board considers necessary for the efficient operation of the district.

(b) A physician employed by the Bexar County Hospital District under this section must practice with a nonprofit health organization certified by the Texas Medical Board and created by the Bexar County Hospital District.

(c) The term of an employment contract entered into under this section may not exceed four years.

(d) This section may not be construed as authorizing the board of the Bexar County Hospital District to supervise or control the practice of medicine, as prohibited by Subtitle B, Title 3, Occupations Code.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2351 was passed by the House on April 7, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 5, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2351 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor