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H.B. No. 3143

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to anesthesia services provided by a dentist.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Subchapter D, Chapter 258, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER D. [~~GENERAL~~] ADMINISTRATION OF ANESTHESIA

SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 258, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 258.158 to read as follows:

Sec. 258.158. PORTABILITY OF DEEP SEDATION ANESTHESIA SERVICES. (a) In this section:

(1) "Deep sedation" means a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which a patient cannot be easily aroused but responds purposefully following repeated or painful stimulation.

(2) "Portability" means, with respect to anesthesia services, the ability of a dentist who holds a permit under this subchapter to provide anesthesia services in a location other than a facility or satellite facility.

(b) To qualify for a permit that grants the portability of deep sedation anesthesia services, a dentist must complete at least 24 months of training in the use and administration of deep sedation anesthesia.

SECTION 3. (a) Not later than January 1, 2012, the State Board of Dental Examiners shall adopt the rules necessary to implement the changes in law made by this Act.

1 (b) Section 258.158, Occupations Code, as added by this Act,
2 applies only to a permit issued on or after March 1, 2012. A permit
3 issued before March 1, 2012, is governed by the law in effect when
4 the permit was issued, and the former law is continued in effect for
5 that purpose.

6 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.