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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the minimum standards for the certifications of sexual
- 3 assault training programs and sexual assault nurse examiners and
- 4 for certification renewal by those entities.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subdivision (6), Section 420.003, Government
- 7 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 (6) "Sexual assault nurse examiner" means a registered
- 9 nurse who has completed a service-approved examiner training course
- 10 and who is certified according to minimum standards prescribed by
- 11 attorney general rule.
- 12 SECTION 2. Subsections (b) and (c), Section 420.011,
- 13 Government Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 14 (b) The attorney general shall adopt rules establishing
- 15 minimum standards for the certification of a sexual assault
- 16 training program and the renewal of that certification by the
- 17 program. The certification is valid for two years from the date of
- 18 issuance. The attorney general shall also adopt rules establishing
- 19 minimum standards for the suspension, decertification, or
- 20 probation of a training program that violates this chapter.
- 21 (c) The attorney general shall adopt rules establishing
- 22 minimum standards for the certification of a sexual assault nurse
- 23 examiner and the renewal of that certification by the nurse
- 24 examiner, including standards for examiner training courses and for

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- 1 the interstate reciprocity of sexual assault nurse examiners. The
- 2 certification is valid for two years from the date of issuance. The
- 3 attorney general shall also adopt rules establishing minimum
- 4 standards for the suspension, decertification, or probation of a
- 5 sexual assault nurse examiner who violates this chapter.
- 6 SECTION 3. Not later than December 1, 2011, the attorney
- 7 general shall adopt the rules required by Subsections (b) and (c),
- 8 Section 420.011, Government Code, as amended by this Act.
- 9 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.