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S.B. No. 1255

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the employment of physicians and other staff by certain
3 municipal hospital authorities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 262.023(b), Health and Safety Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The board may delegate to the manager or executive
8 director the authority to manage the hospital and to employ and
9 discharge employees other than physicians hired in accordance with
10 Section 262.0235.

11 SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 262, Health and Safety
12 Code, is amended by adding Section 262.0235 to read as follows:

13 Sec. 262.0235. EMPLOYMENT OF PHYSICIANS AND STAFF. (a) The
14 board of a hospital authority created by the governing body of a
15 municipality with a population of not more than 10,000 may employ
16 physicians, technicians, nurses, other health care providers,
17 fiscal agents, accountants, and other necessary employees.

18 (b) This section may not be construed as authorizing the
19 board to supervise or control the practice of medicine, as
20 prohibited by Subtitle B, Title 3, Occupations Code.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.