By: Van de Putte S.B. No. 1263

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
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- 2 relating to the authority of the Bexar County Hospital District to
- 3 employ physicians.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 281, Health and Safety
- 6 Code, is amended by adding Section 281.0283 to read as follows:
- 7 <u>Sec. 281.0283.</u> BEXAR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT; EMPLOYMENT
- 8 OF PHYSICIANS. (a) The board of the Bexar County Hospital District
- 9 may employ physicians as the board considers necessary for the
- 10 efficient operation of the district.
- 11 (b) A physician employed by the Bexar County Hospital
- 12 District under this section must practice with a nonprofit health
- 13 organization certified by the Texas Medical Board and created by
- 14 the Bexar County Hospital District.
- 15 <u>(c)</u> The term of an employment contract entered into under
- 16 this section may not exceed four years.
- 17 (d) This section may not be construed as authorizing the
- 18 board of the Bexar County Hospital District to supervise or control
- 19 the practice of medicine, as prohibited by Subtitle B, Title 3,
- 20 Occupations Code.
- 21 SECTION 2. 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.