1-1 Van de Putte S.B. No. 500 By: (In the Senate - Filed February 12, 2013; February 13, 2013, 1-2 read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services; March 13, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; March 13, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-3 1 - 41-5

COMMITTEE VOTE 1-6

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Nelson	X	-		,
1-9	Deuell	X			
1-10	Huffman	Х			
1-11	Nichols	X			,
1-12	Schwertner	Χ			,
1-13	Taylor			X	
1-14	Uresti	X			
1-15	West	Х			
1-16	Zaffirini	X			

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-19 relating to the Texas State Board of Pharmacy.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 552.001, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

- The Texas State Board of Pharmacy consists of 11 [nine] (a) members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate as follows:
 - seven [six] members who are pharmacists; [and]
 - (2) one member who is a pharmacy technician; and

three members who represent the public.

 $\frac{(3)}{\text{SECTION 2.}}$ Section 552.002, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

- (b-1)A pharmacy technician board member must, at the time of appointment:
 - be a resident of this state;
- have been registered as a pharmacy technician for (2) the five years preceding appointment;
- (3) be in good standing to act as a pharmacy technician in this state; and
- (4) be acting as a pharmacy technician in this state. SECTION 3. Subsection (a), Section 552.005, Occupation Section 552.005, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:
- Members of the board are appointed for staggered six-year terms, with either [. The terms of] three or four members' terms, as applicable, expiring [members expire] every other year at midnight on the last day of the state fiscal year in the last year of the member's term.
- SECTION 4. Subsection (a), Section 552.010, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:
 - (a) The board shall meet at least [+
- 1-48 1-49 $[\frac{(1)}{1}]$ once every four months to transact board 1-50 business[; and
- $[\frac{(2)}{(2)}]$ twice each year for the 1-51 -examination applicants]. 1-52
 - SECTION 5. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the governor shall appoint a pharmacy technician and a pharmacist to the Texas State Board of Pharmacy as required by this Act. In appointing the members, the governor shall appoint:
- a pharmacy technician to a term expiring August 1-57 (1)1-58 31, 2019; and
 - a pharmacist to a term expiring August 31, 2017. (2) SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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