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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the regulation of the practice of pharmacy; authorizing
3 fees.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 353.204(e), Occupations Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (e) The Texas State Board of Pharmacy is responsible for
8 enforcing this chapter with regard to a violation of this chapter by
9 a pharmacist. A violation of this chapter by a pharmacist is
10 considered to be a violation of Subtitle J[~~, other than Chapter~~
11 ~~567~~].

12 SECTION 2. Section 551.001, Occupations Code, is amended to
13 read as follows:

14 Sec. 551.001. SHORT TITLE. This [~~The chapters of this~~
15 subtitle[~~, other than Chapter 567,~~] may be cited as the Texas
16 Pharmacy Act.

17 SECTION 3. Section 551.003, Occupations Code, is amended by
18 amending Subdivision (32) and adding Subdivision (32-a) to read as
19 follows:

20 (32) "Pharmacy technician" means an individual
21 employed by a pharmacy whose responsibility is to provide technical
22 services that do not require professional judgment regarding
23 preparing and distributing drugs and who works under the direct
24 supervision of and is responsible to a pharmacist. The term does

1 not include a pharmacy technician trainee.

2 (32-a) "Pharmacy technician trainee" means an
3 individual who is registered with the board as a pharmacy
4 technician trainee and is authorized to participate in a pharmacy
5 technician training program.

6 SECTION 4. Section 554.002, Occupations Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 554.002. REGULATION OF PRACTICE OF PHARMACY. The
9 board shall regulate the practice of pharmacy in this state by:

10 (1) issuing a license after examination or by
11 reciprocity to an applicant qualified to practice pharmacy and
12 issuing a license to a pharmacy under this subtitle;

13 (2) renewing a license to practice pharmacy and a
14 license to operate a pharmacy;

15 (3) determining and issuing standards for recognizing
16 and approving degree requirements of colleges of pharmacy whose
17 graduates are eligible for a license in this state;

18 (4) specifying and enforcing requirements for
19 practical training, including an internship;

20 (5) enforcing the provisions of this subtitle relating
21 to:

22 (A) the conduct or competence of a pharmacist
23 practicing in this state and the conduct of a pharmacy operating in
24 this state; and

25 (B) the suspension, revocation, retirement, or
26 restriction of a license to practice pharmacy or to operate a
27 pharmacy or the imposition of an administrative penalty or

1 reprimand on a license holder;

2 (6) regulating the training, qualifications, and
3 employment of a pharmacist-intern, ~~and~~ pharmacy technician, and
4 pharmacy technician trainee; and

5 (7) determining and issuing standards for recognizing
6 and approving a pharmacy residency program for purposes of
7 Subchapter W, Chapter 61, Education Code.

8 SECTION 5. Section 554.007(b), Occupations Code, is amended
9 to read as follows:

10 (b) The board may receive and spend money, or use gifts,
11 grants, and other funds and assets [~~from a party, other than the~~
12 ~~state~~], in addition to money collected under Subsection (a), in
13 accordance with state law.

14 SECTION 6. The heading to Section 554.053, Occupations
15 Code, is amended to read as follows:

16 Sec. 554.053. RULEMAKING: PHARMACY TECHNICIAN AND PHARMACY
17 TECHNICIAN TRAINEE.

18 SECTION 7. Sections 554.053(a) and (b), Occupations Code,
19 are amended to read as follows:

20 (a) The board shall establish rules for the use and the
21 duties of a pharmacy technician and pharmacy technician trainee in
22 a pharmacy licensed by the board. A pharmacy technician and
23 pharmacy technician trainee shall be responsible to and must be
24 directly supervised by a pharmacist.

25 (b) The board may not adopt a rule establishing a ratio of
26 pharmacists to pharmacy technicians and pharmacy technician
27 trainees in a Class C pharmacy or limiting the number of pharmacy

1 technicians or pharmacy technician trainees that may be used in a
2 Class C pharmacy.

3 SECTION 8. Section 557.004, Occupations Code, is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 Sec. 557.004. LIMITATIONS ON REGISTRATION. (a) The board
6 may:

- 7 (1) refuse to issue a registration to an applicant; or
8 (2) restrict, suspend, or revoke a pharmacist-intern
9 registration for a violation of this subtitle.

10 (b) The board may take disciplinary action against an
11 applicant for a pharmacist-intern registration or the holder of a
12 current or expired pharmacist-intern registration in the same
13 manner as against an applicant for a license or a license holder by
14 imposing a sanction authorized under Section 565.051 if the board
15 finds that the applicant or registration holder has engaged in
16 conduct described by Section 565.001.

17 SECTION 9. Section 559.003, Occupations Code, is amended by
18 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

19 (e) A person may not renew a license to practice pharmacy if
20 the person holds a license to practice pharmacy in another state
21 that has been suspended, revoked, canceled, or subject to an action
22 that prohibits the person from practicing pharmacy in that state.

23 SECTION 10. Section 560.052(b), Occupations Code, is
24 amended to read as follows:

25 (b) To qualify for a pharmacy license, an applicant must
26 submit to the board:

- 27 (1) a license fee set by the board, except as provided

1 by Subsection (d); and

2 (2) a completed application that:

3 (A) is on a form prescribed by the board;

4 (B) is given under oath; ~~and~~

5 (C) includes proof that a license held in this
6 state or another state, if applicable, has not been restricted,
7 suspended, revoked, or surrendered for any reason; and

8 (D) includes a statement of:

9 (i) the ownership;

10 (ii) the location of the pharmacy;

11 (iii) the license number of each pharmacist
12 who is employed by the pharmacy, if the pharmacy is located in this
13 state, or who is licensed to practice pharmacy in this state, if the
14 pharmacy is a Class E pharmacy;

15 (iv) the license number of the
16 pharmacist-in-charge; and

17 (v) any other information the board
18 determines necessary.

19 SECTION 11. Section 561.003, Occupations Code, is amended
20 by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

21 (f) A pharmacy may not renew a license under this section if
22 the pharmacy's license to operate in another state has been
23 suspended, revoked, canceled, or subject to an action that
24 prohibits the pharmacy from operating in that state.

25 SECTION 12. Section 562.012, Occupations Code, is amended
26 to read as follows:

27 Sec. 562.012. SUBSTITUTION OF DOSAGE FORM PERMITTED. With

1 the patient's consent [~~and notification to the practitioner~~], a
2 pharmacist may dispense a dosage form of a drug different from that
3 prescribed, such as a tablet instead of a capsule or a liquid
4 instead of a tablet, if the dosage form dispensed:

5 (1) contains the identical amount of the active
6 ingredients as the dosage prescribed for the patient;

7 (2) is not an enteric-coated or timed release product;
8 and

9 (3) does not alter desired clinical outcomes.

10 SECTION 13. Section 562.056, Occupations Code, is amended
11 to read as follows:

12 Sec. 562.056. PRACTITIONER-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP REQUIRED.

13 (a) Before dispensing a prescription, a pharmacist shall
14 determine, in the exercise of sound professional judgment, that the
15 prescription is a valid prescription. A pharmacist may not
16 dispense a prescription drug if the pharmacist knows or should know
17 that the prescription was issued [~~on the basis of an Internet-based~~
18 ~~or telephonic consultation~~] without a valid practitioner-patient
19 relationship.

20 (b) A pharmacist may not dispense a prescription for a
21 controlled substance unless the prescription is issued by a
22 practitioner acting in the usual course of professional practice
23 and is for a legitimate medical purpose, as determined in the
24 reasonable professional judgment of the pharmacist.

25 (c) This section [~~Subsection (a)~~] does not prohibit a
26 pharmacist from dispensing a prescription when a valid
27 practitioner-patient relationship is not present in an emergency.

1 SECTION 14. Section 562.103, Occupations Code, is amended
2 by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
3 follows:

4 (b) A Class A or Class C pharmacy that serves the public
5 shall:

6 (1) display the word "pharmacy" or a similar word or
7 symbol as determined by the board in a prominent place on the front
8 of the pharmacy; and

9 (2) display in public view the license of the
10 pharmacist-in-charge of [~~each pharmacist employed in~~] the
11 pharmacy.

12 (c) A pharmacy shall maintain and make available to the
13 public on request proof that each pharmacist, pharmacist-intern,
14 pharmacy technician, and pharmacist technician trainee working in
15 the pharmacy holds the appropriate license or registration.

16 SECTION 15. Section 565.001(a), Occupations Code, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 (a) The board may discipline an applicant for or the holder
19 of a current or expired license to practice pharmacy if the board
20 finds that the applicant or license holder has:

21 (1) violated this subtitle or a board rule adopted
22 under this subtitle;

23 (2) engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined by
24 board rule;

25 (3) engaged in gross immorality as defined by board
26 rule;

27 (4) developed an incapacity that prevents or could

1 prevent the applicant or license holder from practicing pharmacy
2 with reasonable skill, competence, and safety to the public;

3 (5) engaged in fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation, as
4 defined by board rule, in practicing pharmacy or in seeking a
5 license to practice pharmacy;

6 (6) been convicted of or placed on deferred
7 adjudication community supervision or deferred disposition or the
8 applicable federal equivalent for:

9 (A) a misdemeanor:

10 (i) involving moral turpitude; or

11 (ii) under Chapter 481 or 483, Health and
12 Safety Code, or the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control
13 Act of 1970 (21 U.S.C. Section 801 et seq.); or

14 (B) a felony;

15 (7) used alcohol or drugs in an intemperate manner
16 that, in the board's opinion, could endanger a patient's life;

17 (8) failed to maintain records required by this
18 subtitle or failed to maintain complete and accurate records of
19 purchases or disposals of drugs listed in Chapter 481 or 483, Health
20 and Safety Code, or the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and
21 Control Act of 1970 (21 U.S.C. Section 801 et seq.);

22 (9) violated any provision of:

23 (A) Chapter 481 or 483, Health and Safety Code,
24 or the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970
25 (21 U.S.C. Section 801 et seq.), or rules relating to one of those
26 laws; or

27 (B) Section 485.031, 485.032, 485.033, or

1 485.034, Health and Safety Code;

2 (10) aided or abetted an unlicensed person in the
3 practice of pharmacy if the pharmacist knew or reasonably should
4 have known that the person was unlicensed at the time;

5 (11) refused entry into a pharmacy for an inspection
6 authorized by this subtitle if the pharmacist received notification
7 from which the pharmacist knew or reasonably should have known that
8 the attempted inspection was authorized;

9 (12) violated any pharmacy or drug statute or rule of
10 this state, another state, or the United States;

11 (13) been negligent in the practice of pharmacy;

12 (14) failed to submit to an examination after hearing
13 and being ordered to do so by the board under Section 565.052;

14 (15) dispensed a prescription drug while acting
15 outside the usual course and scope of professional practice;

16 (16) been disciplined by a pharmacy board or by
17 another health [the] regulatory board of this state or another
18 state for conduct substantially equivalent to conduct described
19 under this subsection;

20 (17) violated a disciplinary order, including a
21 confidential order or contract under the program to aid impaired
22 pharmacists and pharmacy students under Chapter 564;

23 (18) failed to adequately supervise a task delegated
24 to a pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee;

25 (19) inappropriately delegated a task delegated to a
26 pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee; ~~or~~

27 (20) been responsible for a drug audit shortage; or

1 (21) been convicted or adjudicated of a criminal
2 offense that requires registration as a sex offender under Chapter
3 62, Code of Criminal Procedure.

4 SECTION 16. Section 565.055(c), Occupations Code, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (b), information or material
7 compiled by the board in connection with an investigation may be
8 disclosed:

9 (1) during any proceeding conducted by the State
10 Office of Administrative Hearings, to the board, or a panel of the
11 board, or in a subsequent trial or appeal of a board action or
12 order;

13 (2) to a person providing a service to the board,
14 including an expert witness, investigator, or employee of an entity
15 that contracts with the board, related to a disciplinary proceeding
16 against an applicant or license holder, or a subsequent trial or
17 appeal, if the information is necessary for preparation for, or a
18 presentation in, the proceeding;

19 (3) to an entity in another jurisdiction that:
20 (A) licenses or disciplines pharmacists or
21 pharmacies; or

22 (B) registers or disciplines pharmacy
23 technicians or pharmacy technician trainees;

24 (4) to a pharmaceutical or pharmacy peer review
25 committee as described under Chapter 564;

26 (5) to a law enforcement agency;

27 (6) to a person engaged in bona fide research, if all

1 information identifying a specific individual has been deleted;

2 [~~or~~]

3 (7) under a court order; or

4 (8) to an entity that administers a board-approved
5 pharmacy technician certification examination.

6 SECTION 17. Section 565.101(a), Occupations Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (a) A person whose pharmacy license, license to practice
9 pharmacy, [~~or~~] pharmacy technician registration, or pharmacy
10 technician trainee registration in this state has been revoked or
11 restricted under this subtitle, whether voluntarily or by board
12 action, may, after the first anniversary of the effective date of
13 the revocation or restriction, petition the board for reinstatement
14 or removal of the restriction of the license or registration.

15 SECTION 18. The heading to Chapter 568, Occupations Code,
16 is amended to read as follows:

17 CHAPTER 568. PHARMACY TECHNICIANS AND PHARMACY
18 TECHNICIAN TRAINEES

19 SECTION 19. Section 568.001, Occupations Code, is amended
20 to read as follows:

21 Sec. 568.001. RULES; QUALIFICATIONS [~~RELATING TO PHARMACY~~
22 ~~TECHNICIANS~~]. (a) In establishing rules under Section 554.053(c),
23 the board shall require that:

24 (1) a pharmacy technician:

25 (A) [~~(1)~~] have a high school diploma or a high
26 school equivalency certificate or be working to achieve an
27 equivalent diploma or certificate; and

1 (B) [(2)] have passed a board-approved pharmacy
2 technician certification examination; and

3 (2) a pharmacy technician trainee have a high school
4 diploma or a high school equivalency certificate or be working to
5 achieve an equivalent diploma or certificate.

6 (b) The board shall adopt rules that permit a pharmacy
7 technician and pharmacy technician trainee to perform only
8 nonjudgmental technical duties under the direct supervision of a
9 pharmacist.

10 SECTION 20. Section 568.002, Occupations Code, is amended
11 to read as follows:

12 Sec. 568.002. [~~PHARMACY TECHNICIAN~~] REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

13 (a) A person must register with the board before beginning work in
14 a pharmacy in this state as a pharmacy technician or a pharmacy
15 technician trainee [~~pharmacy technician must register with the~~
16 ~~board annually or biennially, as determined by board rule, on a form~~
17 ~~prescribed by the board~~].

18 (b) The board may allow a pharmacy technician to petition
19 the board for a special exemption from the pharmacy technician
20 certification requirement if the pharmacy technician[+

21 ~~(1)]~~ is in a county with a population of less than
22 50,000[~~, or~~

23 ~~(2) on September 1, 2001, has been employed as a~~
24 ~~pharmacy technician in this state for at least 10 years and the~~
25 ~~technician's employer approves the petition~~].

26 (c) An applicant for registration as a pharmacy technician
27 or a pharmacy technician trainee must:

1 (1) be of good moral character; and

2 (2) submit an application on a form prescribed by the
3 board.

4 (d) A person's registration as a pharmacy technician or
5 pharmacy technician trainee remains in effect as long as the person
6 meets the qualifications established by board rule.

7 SECTION 21. Section 568.003(a), Occupations Code, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 (a) The board may take disciplinary action under Section
10 568.0035 against an applicant for or the holder of a current or
11 expired pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee
12 registration if the board determines that the applicant or
13 registrant has:

14 (1) violated this subtitle or a rule adopted under
15 this subtitle;

16 (2) engaged in gross immorality, as that term is
17 defined by the rules of the board;

18 (3) engaged in any fraud, deceit, or
19 misrepresentation, as those terms are defined by the rules of the
20 board, in seeking a registration to act as a pharmacy technician or
21 pharmacy technician trainee;

22 (4) been convicted of or placed on deferred
23 adjudication community supervision or deferred disposition or the
24 applicable federal equivalent for:

25 (A) a misdemeanor:

26 (i) involving moral turpitude; or

27 (ii) under Chapter 481 or 483, Health and

1 Safety Code, or the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control
2 Act of 1970 (21 U.S.C. Section 801 et seq.); or

3 (B) a felony;

4 (5) developed an incapacity that prevents the
5 applicant or registrant from practicing as a pharmacy technician or
6 pharmacy technician trainee with reasonable skill, competence, and
7 safety to the public;

8 (6) violated:

9 (A) Chapter 481 or 483, Health and Safety Code,
10 or rules relating to those chapters;

11 (B) Sections 485.031-485.035, Health and Safety
12 Code; or

13 (C) a rule adopted under Section 485.011, Health
14 and Safety Code;

15 (7) violated the pharmacy or drug laws or rules of this
16 state, another state, or the United States;

17 (8) performed duties in a pharmacy that only a
18 pharmacist may perform, as defined by the rules of the board;

19 (9) used alcohol or drugs in an intemperate manner
20 that, in the board's opinion, could endanger a patient's life;

21 (10) engaged in negligent, unreasonable, or
22 inappropriate conduct when working in a pharmacy;

23 (11) violated a disciplinary order;

24 (12) been convicted or adjudicated of a criminal
25 offense that requires registration as a sex offender under Chapter
26 62, Code of Criminal Procedure; or

27 (13) been disciplined by a pharmacy or other health

1 regulatory board of this state or another state for conduct
2 substantially equivalent to conduct described by this subsection.

3 SECTION 22. Section 568.0035(a), Occupations Code, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 (a) On a determination that a ground for discipline exists
6 under Section 568.003, the board may:

7 (1) suspend the person's registration;

8 (2) revoke the person's registration;

9 (3) restrict the person's registration to prohibit the
10 person from performing certain acts or from practicing as a
11 pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee in a particular
12 manner for a term and under conditions determined by the board;

13 (4) impose an administrative penalty under Chapter
14 566;

15 (5) refuse to issue or renew the person's
16 registration;

17 (6) place the offender's registration on probation and
18 supervision by the board for a period determined by the board and
19 impose a requirement that the registrant:

20 (A) report regularly to the board on matters that
21 are the basis of the probation;

22 (B) limit practice to the areas prescribed by the
23 board;

24 (C) continue or review professional education
25 until the registrant attains a degree of skill satisfactory to the
26 board in each area that is the basis of the probation; or

27 (D) pay the board a probation fee to defray the

1 costs of monitoring the registrant during the period of probation;

2 (7) reprimand the person;

3 (8) retire the person's registration as provided by
4 board rule; or

5 (9) impose more than one of the sanctions listed in
6 this section.

7 SECTION 23. Section 568.0037(a), Occupations Code, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 (a) The president of the board shall appoint a disciplinary
10 panel consisting of three board members to determine whether a
11 registration under this chapter should be temporarily suspended or
12 restricted. If a majority of the panel determines from evidence or
13 information presented to the panel that the registrant by
14 continuation in practice as a pharmacy technician or pharmacy
15 technician trainee would constitute a continuing threat to the
16 public welfare, the panel shall temporarily suspend or restrict the
17 registration as provided by Subsection (b).

18 SECTION 24. Section 568.004, Occupations Code, is amended
19 to read as follows:

20 Sec. 568.004. RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION. The board may adopt
21 a system in which the registrations of pharmacy technicians and
22 pharmacy technician trainees expire on various dates during the
23 year.

24 SECTION 25. Section 568.005, Occupations Code, is amended
25 to read as follows:

26 Sec. 568.005. FEES. The board may adopt fees as necessary
27 for the registration of pharmacy technicians and pharmacy

1 technician trainees.

2 SECTION 26. Section 568.006, Occupations Code, is amended
3 to read as follows:

4 Sec. 568.006. RATIO OF PHARMACISTS TO PHARMACY TECHNICIANS
5 AND PHARMACY TECHNICIAN TRAINEES. The ratio of pharmacists to
6 pharmacy technicians and pharmacy technician trainees in a Class A
7 pharmacy must be at least one pharmacist for every five pharmacy
8 technicians or pharmacy technician trainees if the Class A pharmacy
9 dispenses not more than 20 different prescription drugs and does
10 not produce intravenous or intramuscular drugs on-site.

11 SECTION 27. The heading to Section 568.008, Occupations
12 Code, is amended to read as follows:

13 Sec. 568.008. PHARMACY TECHNICIANS IN HOSPITALS WITH
14 CLINICAL PHARMACY PROGRAM.

15 SECTION 28. Chapter 568, Occupations Code, is amended by
16 adding Section 568.009 to read as follows:

17 Sec. 568.009. CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR EMPLOYMENT. Not later
18 than the 10th day after the date of a change of address or
19 employment, a pharmacy technician or a pharmacy technician trainee
20 shall notify the board in writing of the change.

21 SECTION 29. Sections 569.001(a) and (c), Occupations Code,
22 are amended to read as follows:

23 (a) Every insurer or other entity providing pharmacist's
24 professional liability insurance, pharmacy technician professional
25 and supplemental liability insurance, or druggist's professional
26 liability insurance covering a pharmacist, pharmacy technician,
27 pharmacy technician trainee, or pharmacy license holder in this

1 state shall submit to the board the information described in
2 Section 569.002 at the time prescribed.

3 (c) If a pharmacist, pharmacy technician, pharmacy
4 technician trainee, or pharmacy licensed in this state does not
5 carry or is not covered by pharmacist's professional liability
6 insurance, pharmacy technician professional and supplemental
7 liability insurance, or druggist's professional liability
8 insurance and is insured by a nonadmitted carrier or other entity
9 providing pharmacy professional liability insurance that does not
10 report under this subtitle, the duty to report information under
11 Section 569.002 is the responsibility of the pharmacist, pharmacy
12 technician, pharmacy technician trainee, or pharmacy license
13 holder.

14 SECTION 30. Section 569.002(a), Occupations Code, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 (a) The following information must be furnished to the board
17 not later than the 30th day after receipt by the insurer of the
18 notice of claim letter or complaint from the insured:

19 (1) the name of the insured and the insured's state
20 pharmacy technician registration number, pharmacy technician
21 trainee registration number, or pharmacist or pharmacy license
22 number;

23 (2) the policy number; and

24 (3) a copy of the notice of claim letter or complaint.

25 SECTION 31. Section 569.005(b), Occupations Code, is
26 amended to read as follows:

27 (b) The board shall review the information relating to a

1 pharmacist, pharmacy technician, pharmacy technician trainee, or
2 pharmacy license holder against whom at least three professional
3 liability claims have been reported within a five-year period in
4 the same manner as if a complaint against the pharmacist, pharmacy
5 technician, pharmacy technician trainee, or pharmacy license
6 holder had been made under Chapter 555.

7 SECTION 32. Section 411.081(i), Government Code, is amended
8 to read as follows:

9 (i) A criminal justice agency may disclose criminal history
10 record information that is the subject of an order of nondisclosure
11 under Subsection (d) to the following noncriminal justice agencies
12 or entities only:

- 13 (1) the State Board for Educator Certification;
- 14 (2) a school district, charter school, private school,
15 regional education service center, commercial transportation
16 company, or education shared service arrangement;
- 17 (3) the Texas Medical Board;
- 18 (4) the Texas School for the Blind and Visually
19 Impaired;
- 20 (5) the Board of Law Examiners;
- 21 (6) the State Bar of Texas;
- 22 (7) a district court regarding a petition for name
23 change under Subchapter B, Chapter 45, Family Code;
- 24 (8) the Texas School for the Deaf;
- 25 (9) the Department of Family and Protective Services;
- 26 (10) the Texas Juvenile Justice Department [~~Youth~~
27 ~~Commission~~];

- 1 (11) the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative
2 Services;
- 3 (12) the Department of State Health Services, a local
4 mental health service, a local mental retardation authority, or a
5 community center providing services to persons with mental illness
6 or retardation;
- 7 (13) the Texas Private Security Board;
- 8 (14) a municipal or volunteer fire department;
- 9 (15) the Texas Board of Nursing;
- 10 (16) a safe house providing shelter to children in
11 harmful situations;
- 12 (17) a public or nonprofit hospital or hospital
13 district;
- 14 (18) ~~[the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission,~~
15 ~~(19)]~~ the securities commissioner, the banking
16 commissioner, the savings and mortgage lending commissioner, the
17 consumer credit commissioner, or the credit union commissioner;
- 18 (19) ~~(20)~~ the Texas State Board of Public
19 Accountancy;
- 20 (20) ~~(21)~~ the Texas Department of Licensing and
21 Regulation;
- 22 (21) ~~(22)~~ the Health and Human Services Commission;
- 23 (22) ~~(23)~~ the Department of Aging and Disability
24 Services;
- 25 (23) ~~(24)~~ the Texas Education Agency;
- 26 (24) ~~(25)~~ the Guardianship Certification Board;
- 27 (25) ~~(26)~~ a county clerk's office in relation to a

1 proceeding for the appointment of a guardian under Chapter XIII,
2 Texas Probate Code;

3 (26) [~~(27)~~] the Department of Information Resources
4 but only regarding an employee, applicant for employment,
5 contractor, subcontractor, intern, or volunteer who provides
6 network security services under Chapter 2059 to:

7 (A) the Department of Information Resources; or

8 (B) a contractor or subcontractor of the
9 Department of Information Resources;

10 (27) [~~(28)~~] the Court Reporters Certification Board;

11 (28) [~~(29)~~] the Texas Department of Insurance; [~~and~~]

12 (29) [~~(30)~~] the Teacher Retirement System of Texas;

13 and

14 (30) the Texas State Board of Pharmacy.

15 SECTION 33. The following provisions of the Occupations
16 Code are repealed:

17 (1) Chapter 567; and

18 (2) Section 568.007.

19 SECTION 34. This Act takes effect immediately if it
20 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each
21 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.
22 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate
23 effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.