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S.B. No. 1198

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requirements for physicians who perform abortions;
creating an offense.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 171, Health and Safety
Code, is amended by adding Section 171.0031 to read as follows:

Sec. 171.0031. REQUIREMENTS OF PHYSICIAN; OFFENSE. (a) A
physician performing or inducing an abortion must, on the date the
abortion is performed, have active admitting privileges at a
hospital that:

(1) is located not further than 30 miles from the
location at which the abortion is performed or induced; and

(2) provides obstetrical or gynecological health care
services.

(b) A physician who violates Subsection (a) commits an
offense. An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.