BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 760 By: Zedler Business & Industry Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties have expressed concerns regarding a doctor who was removed from the list of approved doctors for the workers' compensation system prior to September 1, 2007, having no method for being reinstated to that list. H.B. 760 seeks to amend the applicable law to provide an opportunity for a removed doctor to be reinstated to good standing.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 760 amends the Labor Code to replace the prohibition against the provision of and receipt of remuneration for workers' compensation health care services by a doctor who, before September 1, 2007, had the doctor's license to practice suspended or was removed or deleted from, was not admitted to, or was suspended from the list of approved doctors under the Texas Workers' Compensation Act and who was not reinstated or restored to the list before September 1, 2007, with the clarification that a doctor is considered to be removed from the workers' compensation system if the doctor, before September 1, 2007, met those same conditions regarding license suspension or removal from, deletion from, admission to, or suspension from the list of approved doctors and was not reinstated or restored to the list or to the workers' compensation system.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2015.