

By: Turner of Tarrant

H.B. No. 2240

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2240:

By: Crownover

C.S.H.B. No. 2240

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the public's ability to access certain documents
3 relating to a hospital inspection, survey, or investigation
4 conducted by the Department of State Health Services.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 241.051, Health and Safety Code, is
7 amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

8 (f) Notwithstanding Subsections (d) and (e), the department
9 shall make available to the public on the department's Internet
10 website the final statement of deficiencies completed by the
11 department and any related plan of correction submitted by a
12 hospital that relate to an inspection, survey, or investigation
13 conducted under Subsection (a). The department may not disclose
14 individually identifiable information concerning a patient or
15 health care professional in the information made available to the
16 public under this subsection.

17 SECTION 2. The executive commissioner of the Health and
18 Human Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement
19 Section 241.051(f), Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.