# **BILL ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 733 By: Zedler Business & Industry Committee Report (Substituted)

# BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been noted that there is no process for certain physicians who were removed from the approved doctor list for workers' compensation reimbursement to be reinstated to the list. C.S.H.B. 733 seeks to address this issue by changing certain conditions relating to eligibility of physicians to provide and receive remuneration for workers' compensation health care services.

### **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

C.S.H.B. 733 amends the Labor Code to remove as a condition rendering a doctor ineligible to directly or indirectly provide workers' compensation health care services or directly or indirectly receive remuneration for such services that the doctor was not reinstated or restored by the division of workers' compensation of the Texas Department of Insurance to the list of approved doctors before September 1, 2007. The bill establishes as a condition rendering a doctor ineligible that the doctor has not been reinstated or restored by the division to the list of approved doctors or to the workers' compensation system.

### EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.

### **COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**

While C.S.H.B. 733 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The substitute includes as a condition rendering a doctor ineligible that the doctor has not been reinstated or restored by the division to the list of approved doctors or to the workers' compensation system.