By: Cortez H.B. No. 387

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to submission of reports by an advanced practice
- 3 registered nurse under the workers' compensation system.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 408.025(a-1), Labor Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (a-1) A treating doctor may delegate to a physician
- 8 assistant who is licensed to practice in this state under Chapter
- 9 204, Occupations Code, or an advanced practice registered nurse who
- 10 is licensed to practice in this state under Chapter 301,
- 11 Occupations Code, the authority to complete and sign a work status
- 12 report regarding an injured employee's ability to return to
- 13 work. The delegating treating doctor is responsible for the acts
- 14 of the physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse
- 15 under this subsection.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.