By: Springer H.B. No. 463

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to reciprocity agreements between air ambulance companies
- 3 operating a subscription program.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 773.011, Health and Safety Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Subsection (d-1) and amending Subsection (e) to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 (d-1) An air ambulance company that operates a subscription
- 9 program under this section shall, in accordance with executive
- 10 commissioner rules, enter into a reciprocity agreement with each
- 11 other air ambulance company in this state that operates a
- 12 subscription program to ensure maximum geographic coverage for
- 13 patients covered under a subscription program.
- 14 (e) The Insurance Code does not apply to a subscription
- 15 program established or a reciprocity agreement entered into under
- 16 this section.
- 17 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
- 18 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human
- 19 Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement
- 20 Section 773.011, Health and Safety Code, as amended by this Act.
- 21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.