

By: Davis of Harris

H.B. No. 1112

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the removal of signs indicating that a freestanding
3 emergency medical care facility is operational.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 254, Health and Safety
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 254.156 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 254.156. REMOVAL OF SIGNS. A facility that closes or
8 for which a license issued under this chapter expires or is
9 suspended or revoked shall immediately remove or cause to be
10 removed any signs within view of the general public indicating that
11 the facility is in operation.

12 SECTION 2. Sections 254.203(a) and (b), Health and Safety
13 Code, are amended to read as follows:

14 (a) The department may petition a district court for a
15 temporary restraining order to restrain a continuing violation of
16 the standards or licensing requirements provided under this chapter
17 or of Section 254.156 if the department finds that the violation
18 creates an immediate threat to the health and safety of the patients
19 of a facility or of the public.

20 (b) A district court, on petition of the department and on a
21 finding by the court that a person is violating the standards or
22 licensing requirements provided under this chapter or is violating
23 Section 254.156, may by injunction:

24 (1) prohibit a person from continuing the [a]

1 violation [~~of the standards or licensing requirements provided~~
2 ~~under this chapter~~];

3 (2) restrain or prevent the establishment or operation
4 of a facility without a license issued under this chapter; or

5 (3) grant any other injunctive relief warranted by the
6 facts.

7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.