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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study and report regarding streamlining physician
licensing requirements for advanced practice registered nurses.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is
amended by adding Section 61.06693 to read as follows:

Sec. 61.06693. STUDY REGARDING STREAMLINING PHYSICIAN
LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES.

(a) The board shall collaborate with at least one institution of
higher education, the Texas Medical Board, and the Texas Board of
Nursing to conduct a study regarding the feasibility of developing
a pilot program to streamline the requirements for an advanced
practice registered nurse to become eligible under Chapter 155,
Occupations Code, for a license to practice medicine.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2020, the board shall submit
to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house
of representatives, and each legislative standing committee with
primary jurisdiction over matters relating to higher education or
occupational licensing a report on the results of the study and any
recommendations for legislative or other action.

(c) This section expires September 1, 2021.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.