By:  Johnson of Dallas H.B. No. 2709

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an application for court-ordered mental health services

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

SECTION 1.  Section 574.001, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (3) to read as follows:

(b)  Except as provided by Subsection (f), the application must be filed with the county clerk in the county in which the proposed patient:

(1)  resides;

(2)  is found; ~~or~~

(3)  is being assessed in an emergency room or hospital; or

(4)  is receiving mental health services by court order or under Subchapter A, Chapter 573.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect on September 1, 2021.