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H.B. No. 797

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 797:

By: Klick C.S.H.B. No. 797

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the possession and administration of certain vaccines

- 3 by a home and community support services agency or its employees.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 142.0062(a), Health and Safety Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (a) A home and community support services agency or its
- 8 employees who are registered nurses or licensed vocational nurses
- 9 may purchase, store, or transport for the purpose of administering
- 10 to the agency's employees, home health or hospice patients, or
- 11 patient family members under physician's standing orders the
- 12 following dangerous drugs:
- 13 (1) hepatitis B vaccine;
- 14 (2) influenza vaccine;
- 15 (3) tuberculin purified protein derivative for
- 16 tuberculosis testing; [and]
- 17 (4) pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine; and
- 18 (5) any other vaccine approved by the United States
- 19 Food and Drug Administration to treat or mitigate the spread of a
- 20 communicable disease, as defined by Section 81.003.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.