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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT 2 relating to including certain licensed physician assistants in the definition of non-physician mental health professional for 3 purposes of certain provisions applicable to non-physician mental 4 5 health professionals. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 6 7 SECTION 1. Section 571.003(15), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows: 8 9 (15) "Non-physician mental health professional" 10 means: 11 (A) a psychologist licensed to practice in this 12 state and designated as a health-service provider; 13 (B) a registered nurse with a master's or 14 doctoral degree in psychiatric nursing; (C) a licensed clinical social worker; 15 16 (D) a licensed professional counselor licensed to practice in this state; [<del>or</del>] 17 18 (E) a licensed marriage and family therapist licensed to practice in this state; or 19 20 (F) a physician assistant licensed to practice in 21 this state who has expertise in psychiatry or is currently working in a mental health facility. 22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021. 23

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