

By: Schofield

H.B. No. 3293

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the certificate of merit required for certain civil actions against certain licensed or registered professionals.

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

SECTION 1. Section 150.002, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) The affidavit shall set forth specifically facts sufficient to establish the affiant's familiarity or experience with the relevant practice area such that the affiant's qualifications to render an opinion on the matters set forth in the affidavit for purposes of Subsection (b) are established. The affiant must attach to the affidavit as an exhibit the affiant's curriculum vitae or a similar document sufficient to establish that the affiant meets the requirements of Subsection (a).

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an action commenced on or after the effective date of this Act. An action commenced before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.