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H.B. No. 4048

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the authority of an advanced practice registered nurse
3 or physician assistant regarding death certificates.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 193.005(a), Health and Safety Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) A person required to file a death certificate or fetal
8 death certificate shall obtain the required medical certification
9 from the decedent's attending physician, or [~~subject to Subsection~~
10 ~~(a-1),~~] a physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse
11 of the decedent, if the death occurred under the care of the person
12 in connection with the treatment of the condition or disease
13 process that contributed to the death.

14 SECTION 2. Section 193.005(a-1), Health and Safety Code, is
15 repealed.

16 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.