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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~~  
10 ~~Subsection (a-1),~~] a physician assistant or advanced practice  
11 registered nurse of the decedent, if the death occurred under the  
12 care of the person in connection with the treatment of the condition  
13 or disease 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15 repealed.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.