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H.B. No. 3579

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the issuance of an emergency order by the Texas
3 Department of Licensing and Regulation against a massage
4 establishment.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 455, Occupations Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 455.252 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 455.252. EMERGENCY ORDER. The executive director may
9 issue an emergency order under Section 51.3511 halting the
10 operation of a massage establishment if:

11 (1) a law enforcement agency gives notice to the
12 department, or the department otherwise learns, that the law
13 enforcement agency is investigating the massage establishment for
14 an offense under Chapter 20A, Penal Code; or

15 (2) the department has reasonable cause to believe
16 that an offense under Chapter 20A, Penal Code, is being committed at
17 the massage establishment.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.