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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the licensing and regulation of the practice of
- 3 podiatry.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 202.259, Occupations Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 202.259. RESIDENCY [TEMPORARY] LICENSE. (a) The
- 8 commission by rule may adopt a procedure for the issuance of a
- 9 <u>residency</u> [temporary] license to an applicant [other than an
- 10 applicant for a provisional license under Section 202.260].
- 11 (b) Rules adopted under this section must establish:
- 12 (1) the criteria for issuance of a $\underline{\text{residency}}$
- 13 [temporary] license; and
- 14 (2) a maximum period during which a <u>residency</u>
- 15 [temporary] license is valid.
- 16 SECTION 2. The following provisions of the Occupations Code
- 17 are repealed:
- 18 (1) Section 202.061; and
- 19 (2) Section 202.260.
- SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act to Section
- 21 202.259, Occupations Code, does not affect the validity of a
- 22 license issued under that section before the effective date of this
- 23 Act. A license issued under that section before the effective date
- 24 of this Act that is in effect on that date expires according to the

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- 1 term provided on the date of issuance, and the former law is
- 2 continued in effect for that purpose.
- 3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.