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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to submission of reports by a physician assistant under
- 3 the workers' compensation system.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 408.025, Labor Code, is amended by
- 6 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:
- 7 (a-1) A report that is required to be filed with the
- 8 division or provided to the injured employee, the employee's
- 9 attorney, or the insurance carrier by a treating physician may be
- 10 completed and signed by a physician assistant who is licensed to
- 11 practice in this state under Chapter 204, Occupations Code.
- 12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 16 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.