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H.B. No. 760

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of certain physicians to provide and receive remuneration for workers' compensation health care services.

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

SECTION 1. Section 408.023(r), Labor Code, is amended to read as follows:

(r) Notwithstanding the waiver or expiration of Subsections (a)-(g) and (i), ~~[there may be no direct or indirect provision of health care under this subtitle and rules adopted under this subtitle, and no direct or indirect receipt of remuneration under this subtitle and rules adopted under this subtitle by]~~ a doctor is considered to be removed from the workers' compensation system if the doctor ~~[who]~~:

(1) before September 1, 2007:

(A) was removed or deleted from the list of approved doctors either by action of the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission or the division or by agreement with the doctor;

(B) was not admitted to the list of approved doctors either by action of the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission or the division or by agreement with the doctor;

(C) was suspended from the list of approved doctors either by action of the Texas Workers' Compensation

Commission or the division or by agreement with the doctor; or

(D) had the doctor's license to practice suspended by the appropriate licensing agency, including a suspension that was stayed, deferred, or probated, or voluntarily relinquished the license to practice; and

(2) was not reinstated or restored by the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission or the division:

(A) to the list of approved doctors; or

(B) to the workers' compensation system [before September 1, 2007].

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.