

1-1 By: Naishtat (Senate Sponsor - Nelson) H.B. No. 1829
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 18, 2011;
1-3 April 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Health
1-4 and Human Services; May 6, 2011, reported adversely, with
1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9,
1-6 Nays 0; May 6, 2011, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1829 By: Nelson

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to an application for emergency detention and to the
1-11 transfer to a mental hospital of a person admitted for emergency
1-12 detention.

1-13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-14 SECTION 1. Section 573.012, Health and Safety Code, is
1-15 amended by adding Subsection (h-1) to read as follows:

1-16 (h-1) After the presentation of an application under
1-17 Subsection (h), the judge or magistrate may transmit a warrant to
1-18 the applicant electronically, if a digital signature, as defined by
1-19 Article 2.26, Code of Criminal Procedure, is transmitted with the
1-20 document.

1-21 SECTION 2. Section 573.022, Health and Safety Code, is
1-22 amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-23 (c) A facility that has admitted a person for emergency
1-24 detention under Subsection (a) or to which a person has been
1-25 transported under Subsection (b) may transfer the person to an
1-26 appropriate mental hospital with the written consent of the
1-27 hospital administrator.

1-28 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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