

1-1 By: Uresti S.B. No. 622  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 18, 2015;  
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1-4 Health and Human Services; March 30, 2015, reported favorably by  
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; March 30, 2015, sent to  
1-6 printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	<u>Schwertner</u>	X		
1-10	<u>Kolkhorst</u>	X		
1-11	<u>Campbell</u>	X		
1-12	<u>Estes</u>	X		
1-13	<u>Perry</u>	X		
1-14	<u>Rodríguez</u>	X		
1-15	<u>Taylor of Collin</u>	X		
1-16	<u>Uresti</u>	X		
1-17	<u>Zaffirini</u>	X		

1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to the physician assistant board.  
1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-22 SECTION 1. Section 204.052(a), Occupations Code, is amended  
1-23 to read as follows:  
1-24 (a) The physician assistant board consists of 13 [~~nine~~]  
1-25 members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the  
1-26 senate as follows:  
1-27 (1) seven [~~three~~] practicing physician assistant  
1-28 members who each have at least five years of clinical experience as  
1-29 a physician assistant;  
1-30 (2) three physician members who are licensed in this  
1-31 state and who supervise physician assistants; and  
1-32 (3) three public members who are not licensed as a  
1-33 physician or physician assistant.  
1-34 SECTION 2. Section 204.054(a), Occupations Code, is amended  
1-35 to read as follows:  
1-36 (a) Members of the physician assistant board are appointed  
1-37 for staggered six-year terms. The terms of four or five [~~three~~]  
1-38 members, as applicable, expire on February 1 of each odd-numbered  
1-39 year.  
1-40 SECTION 3. Section 204.055, Occupations Code, is amended to  
1-41 read as follows:  
1-42 Sec. 204.055. OFFICERS. The governor shall designate a  
1-43 physician assistant member of the physician assistant board as the  
1-44 presiding officer of the board to serve in that capacity at the will  
1-45 of the governor. The physician assistant board shall select from  
1-46 its membership a secretary to serve a one-year term.  
1-47 SECTION 4. Not later than November 1, 2015, the governor  
1-48 shall appoint four members to the physician assistant board as  
1-49 provided by Section 204.052(a)(1), Occupations Code, as amended by  
1-50 this Act, as follows:  
1-51 (1) one member for a term expiring February 1, 2017;  
1-52 (2) one member for a term expiring February 1, 2019;  
1-53 and  
1-54 (3) two members for terms expiring February 1, 2021.  
1-55 SECTION 5. If, on the effective date of this Act, the  
1-56 presiding officer of the physician assistant board does not meet  
1-57 the qualifications for office as presiding officer under Section  
1-58 204.055, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, the presiding  
1-59 officer is removed from office as presiding officer on that date.  
1-60 As soon as practicable on or after the effective date of this Act,  
1-61 the governor shall appoint a presiding officer who meets the

2-1 qualifications under Section 204.055, Occupations Code, as amended  
2-2 by this Act.

2-3 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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