

1-1 By: Johnson of Dallas (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 2709  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2021;  
1-3 May 14, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Jurisprudence; May 21, 2021, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 21, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-11	X			
1-12	X			

1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to the county in which an application for court-ordered  
1-16 mental health services must be filed.

1-17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-18 SECTION 1. Section 574.001(b), Health and Safety Code, is  
1-19 amended to read as follows:

1-20 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (f), the application  
1-21 must be filed with the county clerk in the county in which the  
1-22 proposed patient:

1-23 (1) resides;

1-24 (2) is found; [~~or~~]

1-25 (3) is being assessed in an emergency room or  
1-26 hospital; or

1-27 (4) is receiving mental health services by court order  
1-28 or under Subchapter A, Chapter 573.

1-29 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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