

1-1 By: Bonnen, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Campbell) H.B. No. 4743
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 9, 2025;
 1-3 May 12, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &
 1-4 Human Services; May 23, 2025, reported favorably by the following
 1-5 vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the issuance of a single license for a hospital and a
 1-20 mobile stroke unit of the hospital.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 241.023, Health and Safety Code, is
 1-23 amended by amending Subsections (c-1) and (c-2) and adding
 1-24 Subsection (h) to read as follows:

1-25 (c-1) The department may issue:

1-26 (1) one license for multiple hospitals if:

1-27 (A) ~~[(1)]~~ all buildings in which inpatients
 1-28 receive hospital services and inpatient services of each of the
 1-29 hospitals to be included in the license are subject to the control
 1-30 and direction of the same governing body;

1-31 (B) ~~[(2)]~~ all buildings in which inpatients
 1-32 receive hospital services are within a 30-mile radius of the main
 1-33 address of the applicant;

1-34 (C) ~~[(3)]~~ there is integration of the organized
 1-35 medical staff of each of the hospitals to be included in the
 1-36 license;

1-37 (D) ~~[(4)]~~ there is a single chief executive
 1-38 officer for all of the hospitals who reports directly to the
 1-39 governing body and through whom all administrative authority flows
 1-40 and who exercises control and surveillance over all administrative
 1-41 activities of the hospital;

1-42 (E) ~~[(5)]~~ there is a single chief medical officer
 1-43 for all of the hospitals who reports directly to the governing body
 1-44 and who is responsible for all medical staff activities of the
 1-45 hospital;

1-46 (F) ~~[(6)]~~ each building of a hospital to be
 1-47 included in the license that is geographically separate from other
 1-48 buildings of the same hospital contains at least one nursing unit
 1-49 for inpatients, unless providing only diagnostic or laboratory
 1-50 services, or a combination of diagnostic or laboratory services, in
 1-51 the building for hospital inpatients; and

1-52 (G) ~~[(7)]~~ each hospital that is to be included in
 1-53 the license complies with the emergency services standards:

1-54 (i) ~~[(A)]~~ for a general hospital, if the
 1-55 hospital provides surgery or obstetrical care or both; or

1-56 (ii) ~~[(B)]~~ for a special hospital, if the
 1-57 hospital does not provide surgery or obstetrical care; and

1-58 (2) one license for a hospital and a mobile stroke unit
 1-59 of the hospital if the mobile stroke unit is accredited by a health
 1-60 care accreditation organization approved by the Centers for
 1-61 Medicare and Medicaid Services.

2-1 (c-2) The department may recommend a waiver of the
2-2 requirement of Subsection (c-1)(1)(G) [~~(c-1)(7)~~] for a hospital if
2-3 another hospital that is to be included in the license:

2-4 (1) complies with the emergency services standards for
2-5 a general hospital; and

2-6 (2) is in close geographic proximity to the hospital.

2-7 (h) Subsection (g) does not apply to a license issued to a
2-8 mobile stroke unit of a hospital under Subsection (c-1)(2).

2-9 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
2-10 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human
2-11 Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement
2-12 Section [241.023\(c-1\)](#), Health and Safety Code, as amended by this
2-13 Act.

2-14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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