

1-1 By: Hall, Sparks S.B. No. 2422
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2025; March 25, 2025, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human Services;
1-4 April 28, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 1; April 28, 2025,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Kolkhorst	X		
1-10	Perry	X		
1-11	Blanco	X		
1-12	Cook		X	
1-13	Hall	X		
1-14	Hancock	X		
1-15	Hughes	X		
1-16	Miles	X		
1-17	Sparks	X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2422 By: Perry

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to investigations and disciplinary or punitive action by
1-22 the Texas Medical Board regarding certain treatments or practices
1-23 regarding COVID-19 and to the required expungement of certain
1-24 records.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 153, Occupations Code, is
1-27 amended by adding Section 153.017 to read as follows:

1-28 Sec. 153.017. LIMITATION ON INVESTIGATIVE AND DISCIPLINARY
1-29 AUTHORITY. Notwithstanding any other law, the board may not
1-30 investigate or take disciplinary or other punitive action against a
1-31 person regulated by the board for:

1-32 (1) prescribing or advocating for the use of
1-33 ivermectin, hydroxychloroquine, or budesonide in the prevention or
1-34 treatment of COVID-19;

1-35 (2) making statements regarding the efficacy of masks
1-36 in preventing the transmission of COVID-19; or

1-37 (3) failing to wear or require others to wear masks
1-38 intended to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 in connection with
1-39 the person's practice, other than in areas where it was customary to
1-40 wear masks before the COVID-19 pandemic.

1-41 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any other law and not later than
1-42 December 1, 2025, the Texas Medical Board shall:

1-43 (1) review its records and expunge any record created
1-44 on or after January 1, 2020, related to the investigation of or
1-45 disciplinary or other punitive action taken against a person
1-46 regulated by the board if the record contains any of the following
1-47 words:

- 1-48 (A) budesonide;
1-49 (B) hydroxychloroquine;
1-50 (C) ivermectin; or
1-51 (D) mask; and

1-52 (2) in connection with each record expunged under
1-53 Subdivision (1), vacate any disciplinary action imposed and rescind
1-54 any other punitive action taken by the board.

1-55 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-56 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-57 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-58 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-59 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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