

1-1 By: Uresti S.B. No. 889
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 27, 2013; March 5, 2013,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human
1-4 Services; April 8, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 8, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Nelson	X		
1-9	Deuell	X		
1-10	Huffman	X		
1-11	Nichols	X		
1-12	Schwertner	X		
1-13	Taylor	X		
1-14	Uresti	X		
1-15	West	X		
1-16	Zaffirini	X		

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the physician assistant board.
1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-21 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 204.052, Occupations
1-22 Code, is amended to read as follows:
1-23 (a) The physician assistant board consists of 13 [~~nine~~]
1-24 members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the
1-25 senate as follows:
1-26 (1) seven [~~three~~] practicing physician assistant
1-27 members who each have at least five years of clinical experience as
1-28 a physician assistant;
1-29 (2) three physician members who are licensed in this
1-30 state and who supervise physician assistants; and
1-31 (3) three public members who are not licensed as a
1-32 physician or physician assistant.
1-33 SECTION 2. Subsection (a), Section 204.054, Occupations
1-34 Code, is amended to read as follows:
1-35 (a) Members of the physician assistant board are appointed
1-36 for staggered six-year terms. The terms of four or five [~~three~~]
1-37 members, as applicable, expire on February 1 of each odd-numbered
1-38 year.
1-39 SECTION 3. Section 204.055, Occupations Code, is amended to
1-40 read as follows:
1-41 Sec. 204.055. OFFICERS. The governor shall designate a
1-42 physician assistant member of the physician assistant board as the
1-43 presiding officer of the board to serve in that capacity at the will
1-44 of the governor. The physician assistant board shall select from
1-45 its membership a secretary to serve a one-year term.
1-46 SECTION 4. Not later than November 1, 2013, the governor
1-47 shall appoint four members to the physician assistant board as
1-48 provided by Subdivision (1), Subsection (a), Section 204.052,
1-49 Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, as follows:
1-50 (1) one member for a term expiring February 1, 2015;
1-51 (2) one member for a term expiring February 1, 2017;
1-52 and
1-53 (3) two members for terms expiring February 1, 2019.
1-54 SECTION 5. If, on the effective date of this Act, the
1-55 presiding officer of the physician assistant board does not meet
1-56 the qualifications for office as presiding officer under Section
1-57 204.055, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, the presiding
1-58 officer is removed from office as presiding officer on that date.
1-59 As soon as practicable on or after the effective date of this Act,
1-60 the governor shall appoint a presiding officer who meets the
1-61 qualifications under Section 204.055, Occupations Code, as amended

2-1 by this Act.

2-2 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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