

## Chapter 723

H.B. No. 387

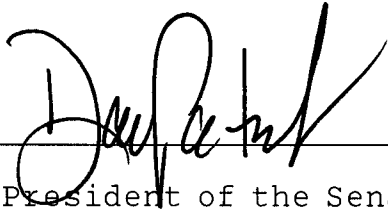
1                                   AN ACT  
2 relating to submission of reports by an advanced practice  
3 registered nurse under the workers' compensation system.

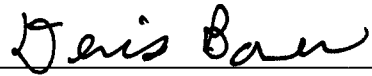
4           BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5           SECTION 1. Section 408.025(a-1), Labor Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

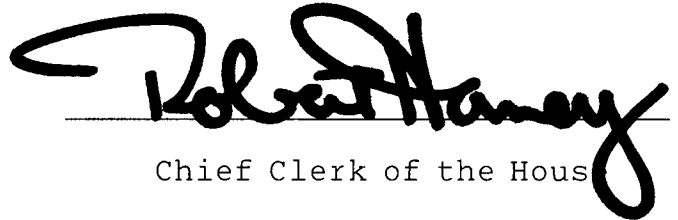
7           (a-1) A treating doctor may delegate to a physician  
8 assistant who is licensed to practice in this state under Chapter  
9 204, Occupations Code, or an advanced practice registered nurse who  
10 is licensed to practice in this state under Chapter 301,  
11 Occupations Code, the authority to complete and sign a work status  
12 report regarding an injured employee's ability to return to  
13 work. The delegating treating doctor is responsible for the acts  
14 of the physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse  
15 under this subsection.

16           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

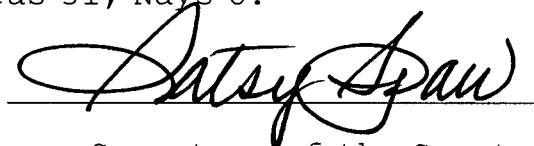
  
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President of the Senate

  
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Speaker of the House

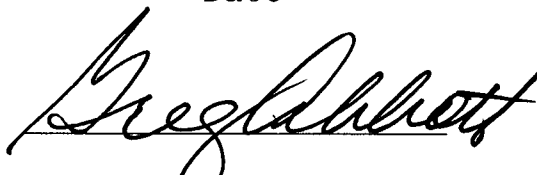
I certify that H.B. No. 387 was passed by the House on April 16, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting.

  
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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 387 was passed by the Senate on May 21, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

  
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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 6-8-2019  
Date

  
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Governor

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