

1 AN ACT

2 relating to requirements for expedited credentialing of certain  
3 physicians by managed care plans.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 1452.101(5), Insurance Code, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 (5) "Medical group" means:

8 (A) a single legal entity owned by two or more  
9 physicians;

10 (B) a professional association composed of  
11 licensed physicians; [corporation] or

12 (C) any other business entity composed of  
13 licensed physicians as permitted under Subchapter B, Chapter 162,  
14 Occupations Code.

15 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
16 to credentialing of a physician under a contract entered into or  
17 renewed by a medical group and an issuer of a managed care plan on or  
18 after the effective date of this Act. A contract entered into or  
19 renewed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law  
20 in effect immediately before that date, and that law is continued in  
21 effect for that purpose.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

David Dewhurst

President of the Senate

John Strawn

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 389 was passed by the House on April 15, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Robert Hemenway

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 389 was passed by the Senate on May 26, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

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RICK PERRY

Governor

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