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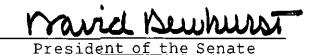
1	AN ACT
2	relating to licensing under the Medical Practice Act.
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
4	SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 151.002, Occupations
5	Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (6-a) to read as follows:
6	<u>(6-a) "License holder" means a person holding a</u>
7	license, permit, or certificate issued under this subtitle.
8	SECTION 2. Section 155.051, Occupations Code, is amended by
9	adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:
10	(d) The time frame to pass each part of the examination does
11	not apply to an applicant who:
12	(1) is licensed and in good standing as a physician in
13	another state;
14	(2) has been licensed for at least five years;
15	(3) does not hold a medical license in the other state
16	that has or has ever had any restrictions, disciplinary orders, or
17	probation; and
18	(4) will practice in a medically underserved area or a
19	health manpower shortage area, as those terms are defined by
20	Section 157.052.
21	<u>(e) The board may by rule establish a process to verify that</u>
22	a person, after meeting the requirements of Subsection (d),
23	practices only in an area described by Subsection (d)(4).
24	SECTION 3. Section 155.0045, Occupations Code, is repealed.

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1 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 5 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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<u>Speake</u>f the <u>House</u>

<u>I hereby certify</u> that S.B. No. 949 passed the Senate on March 27, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0; May 24, 2013, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested appointment of Conference Committee; May 25, 2013, House granted request of the Senate; May 26, 2013, Senate adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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<u>I hereby certify</u> that S.B. No. 949 passed the House, with amendments, on May 22, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 3, two present not voting; May 25, 2013, House granted request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee; May 26, 2013, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 2, two present not voting.

<u>Chief Clerk</u> of the

Approved:

<u>14 JUNE '13</u> RICK PERK <u>Govern</u>o

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