

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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C.S.S.B. 19  
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### **DIGEST**

Currently, in Texas there is not a one-year probationary period for newly licensed nursing facility owners. A probationary license will facilitate the Texas Department of Human Services in efforts to ensure that only nursing facilities providing high-quality care are allowed to continue to operate. This bill would create a one-year probationary license for nursing facility owners who previously have not conducted business in the state.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 19 creates a one-year probationary license for nursing facility owners who previously have not conducted business in the state.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 242.033, Health and Safety Code, by amending Subsection (d), and adding Subsection (f), as follows:

(d) Provides that Subsection (f) is an exception to this subsection. Makes conforming changes.

(f) Creates a probationary license status for a period of one year for initial license holders. Authorizes a license to be issued after the probationary period only if certain requirements have been met.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 242.034, Health and Safety Code, to prohibit a license fee for a probationary license issued under Section 242.033(f) from exceeding \$125 plus certain additional fees. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 1999.  
Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.

### **SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES**

Relating clause.

Amends the relating clause to state that the bill relates to the issuance and renewal of certain initial probationary licenses granted for a nursing or convalescent home or related institution.

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Makes conforming changes.

### SECTION 3.

Makes a conforming change.