

CHAPTER 724

H.B. No. 667

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the State Board of Insurance to verify that insurers writing workers' compensation insurance are providing accident prevention services to their policyholders.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Article 5.76-1, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

*(a-1) The State Board of Insurance shall conduct the inspections to determine the adequacy of the accident prevention services required by Subsection (a) of this Article at least every two (2) years for each insurer writing workers' compensation insurance in Texas.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987, and before the end of the 24-month period beginning with September 1987 the State Board of Insurance must conduct at least one investigation of each insurer writing workers' compensation insurance in this state on the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 14, 1987, by the following vote: revenue dedication: Yeas 130, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; remainder of the bill: non-record vote; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 667 on May 30, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 28, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.