

**Agenda Item # 6.7**

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**Adoption of Rule Reviews of Chapters 220 (Nurse Licensure Compact), 224 (Delegation of Nursing Tasks by Registered Professional Nurses to Unlicensed Personnel for Clients with Acute Conditions or in Acute Care Environments), 225 (Delegation to Unlicensed Personnel and Tasks Not Requiring Delegation in Independent Living Environments for Clients with Stable and Predictable Conditions), and 226 (Patient Safety Pilot Programs on Nurse Reporting Systems)**

Section 2001.039 of the Texas Government Code requires each agency to review each of its rules every four (4) years and consider whether to re-adopt, re-adopt with amendments, or repeal each rule. The proposed reviews of Chapters 220 (Nurse Licensure Compact), 224 (Delegation of Nursing Tasks by Registered Professional Nurses to Unlicensed Personnel for Clients with Acute Conditions or in Acute Care Environments), 225 (Delegation to Unlicensed Personnel and Tasks Not Requiring Delegation in Independent Living Environments for Clients with Stable and Predictable Conditions), and 226 (Patient Safety Pilot Programs on Nurse Reporting Systems) were published in the October 5, 2007, *Texas Register* (attached) and were done pursuant to this statutory requirement. These rules are continuously assessed to determine whether the reason(s) for originally adopting these chapters continues to exist. Each section of these chapters is continually reevaluated to determine whether it is obsolete, reflects current legal and policy considerations, reflects current procedures and practices of the Board, and/or whether it is in compliance with chapter 2001 of the Texas Government Code (Administrative Procedure Act).

The public had thirty (30) days to comment on the rule reviews and to submit any response or suggestions. No comments were received. On November 23, 2007, the adoption of the rule reviews for the aforementioned chapters was published in the *Texas Register*. No action is required by the Board.

These rule reviews continue the implementation of the Board's rule review plan for 2007 - 2011 that is available on the Secretary of State's web site.