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The Texas Occupation Code 3B, Section 154.051(d) limits the Texas Medical Board complaint review process to 7 years from the date of service, NOT from the date of discovery.

Texas code regarding medical malpractice limitations are 2 years after date of DISCOVERY with a statute of repose within 10 years.

This discrepancy means a patient discovering a medical malpractice problem after 7 years is forced to sue instead of filing a complaint to reach resolution.

I would like to propose the Occupations Code be amended to allow complaints to be filed 7 years from the date of DISCOVERY. This would eliminate the time disparity in how complaints are resolved, and be fairer to both patients and to physicians

Thanks,

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