

## **The Texas Dispute Resolution Process Provides More Due Process Protections for Patients than 22 Other States that Also Allow Safe Harbor for Physicians**

The dispute resolution process in Texas law (§ 166.046, Health & Safety Code) compares very well with other states' dispute resolutions laws. These twenty-two states provide safe harbor for physicians as does Texas, but Texas provides more due process to protect patients' end of life decision-making autonomy.

<b>State</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Statute(s)</b>
Arkansas	Public Health and Welfare	§ 20-17-207, § 20-17-208, § 20-17-209
Alabama	Health, Mental Health, and Environmental Control	§ 22-8A-8(a), § 22-8A-7(c)
California	Probate Code	§ 4736, § 4740
Connecticut	General Statutes of Connecticut	§ 19a-571
Georgia	Official Code of Georgia Annotated	§ 31-32-8, § 31-32-10
Idaho	Idaho Statutes	§ 39-4513(2)
Iowa	Iowa Code	§ 144A.8, § 144A.9
Kentucky	Kentucky Code, Title XXVI	§ 311.633
Louisiana	Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated, Title 40	§ 40:1151.6(B), § 40:1151.7(B)
Maryland	Health-General	§ 5-609, § 5-613
Minnesota	Minnesota Statutes	§ 145B.06(1)(b), § 145B.07, § 145B.13
Montana	Montana Code Annotated	§ 50-9-203, § 50-9-204
Nebraska	Nebraska Revised Statutes	§ 20-409, § 20-410
Nevada	Nevada Revised Statutes, Title 40	§ 449A.457, § 449A.460
New Jersey	New Jersey Revised Statutes	§ 26:2H-62, § 26:2H-73
North Carolina	Medicine and Allied Occupations	§ 90-321, § 90-322
North Dakota	Health and Safety	§ 23-06.5-12
Oregon	Oregon Revised Statutes, Volume 3, Chapter Section 13	§ 127.560, § 127.625, § 127.654
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, Title 20	Title 20: § 5424, § 5431
Tennessee	Tennessee Code Annotated	§ 32-11-108
Virginia	Virginia Code Annotated	§ 54.1-2986.1, § 54.1-2988, § 54.1-2990
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Statutes	§ 154.07(1)(a)(3)