

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the duration of services provided under Medicaid to  
3 women following a pregnancy.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE PURPOSE. Out of the state's  
6 profound respect for the lives of mothers and unborn children,  
7 Medicaid coverage is extended for mothers whose pregnancies end in  
8 the delivery of the child or end in the natural loss of the child.

9 SECTION 2. Section 32.024(1-1), Human Resources Code, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11 (1-1) The commission shall continue to provide medical  
12 assistance to a woman who is eligible for medical assistance for  
13 pregnant women for a period of not less than:

14 (1) six months following the date the woman delivers  
15 or experiences an involuntary miscarriage; and

16 (2) 12 months that begins on the last day of the  
17 woman's pregnancy and ends on the last day of the month in which the  
18 12-month period ends in accordance with Section 1902(e)(16), Social  
19 Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(e)(16)).

20 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date  
21 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human  
22 Services Commission shall, in accordance with Section 1902(e)(16),  
23 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(e)(16)), seek from the  
24 appropriate federal agency an amendment to the state's Medicaid

1 state plan to implement Section 32.024(1-1)(2), Human Resources  
2 Code, as added by this Act. The commission may delay implementing  
3 this Act until the state plan amendment is approved.

4 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 12 was passed by the House on April 21, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 132, Nays 8, 0 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 12 on May 23, 2023, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 12 on May 28, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 9, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

H.B. No. 12

I certify that H.B. No. 12 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 12 on May 28, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor