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(In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2023; March 20, 2023, read
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                 time and referred to Committee on Local Government; 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
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                            the definitions of homeless, homelessness,
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        variations of those terms.
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                 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
        SECTION 1. Section 531.001, Government Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (9) to read as follows:

(9) "Homeless," "homelessness," and variations of those terms used in reference to the housing status of a person mean
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        a person lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence
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        and include:
        (A) a person described by 42 U.S.C. Section 11302(a), as that section existed on January 1, 2023;
(B) homeless children and youths described by 42
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        U.S.C. Section 11434a, as that section existed on January 1, 2023;
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        and
        (C) family members of homeless children and youths described by Paragraph (B).

SECTION 2. Section 539.001, Government Code, is amended to
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        read as follows:
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                 Sec. 539.001.
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State Health Services.

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By: Springer

(2) "Homeless," "homelessness," and variations

(12-b) "Homeless," "homelessness," and variations of

those terms used in reference to the housing status of a person have

SECTION 3. Section 2306.004, Government Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (12-b) to read as follows:

those terms used in reference to the housing status of a person have

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.