

Amend **HB 12** by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. (a) All fees collected during the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2003, authorized by Subchapter G, Chapter 101, Occupations Code, as added by House Bill No. 2985, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, are appropriated to the Health Professions Council for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2003, for the administration of the office of patient protection under Subchapter G, Chapter 101, Occupations Code.

(b) Any increase in state employee benefit costs incurred during the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2003, in connection with administering Subchapter G, Chapter 101, Occupations Code, as added by House Bill No. 2985, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, shall be paid out of the appropriations made by Subsection (a) of this section and shall be allocated to the appropriate employee benefit appropriation items in accordance with applicable rules of the comptroller.