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H.B. No. 108

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to services provided by psychologists and marriage and  
3 family therapists under the Medicaid program.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 32.027, Human Resources Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsection (1) to read as follows:

7 (1) The department shall assure that a recipient of medical  
8 assistance under this chapter may select a licensed psychologist or  
9 a licensed marriage and family therapist, as defined by Section  
10 502.002, Occupations Code, to perform any health care service or  
11 procedure covered under the medical assistance program if the  
12 selected psychologist or marriage and family therapist is  
13 authorized by law to perform the service or procedure. This  
14 subsection shall be liberally construed.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
19 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
20 legislative session.