By: Naishtat H.B. No. 116

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT

- 2 relating to services provided by podiatrists under the Medicaid 3 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 (m) to read as follows:
- 7 (m) The department shall assure that a recipient of medical
  8 assistance under this chapter may select a licensed podiatrist to
  9 perform any foot health care service or procedure covered under the
  10 medical assistance program if the podiatrist is authorized by law
  11 to perform the service or procedure. This subsection shall be
- 12 <u>liberally construed.</u>
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
- 18 legislative session.