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H.B. No. 5

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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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 liberally construed.

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