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H.B. No. 23

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to appropriating the fees relating to the office of  
3 patient protection collected by certain licensing agencies for the  
4 Health Professions Council under Chapter 305 (House Bill No. 2985),  
5 Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003.

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

7 SECTION 1. (a) All fees collected during the state fiscal  
8 biennium beginning September 1, 2003, authorized by Subchapter G,  
9 Chapter 101, Occupations Code, as added by Chapter 305, Acts of the  
10 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, are appropriated to the  
11 Health Professions Council for the state fiscal biennium beginning  
12 September 1, 2003, for the administration of the office of patient  
13 protection under Subchapter G, Chapter 101, Occupations Code.

14 (b) Any increase in state employee benefit costs incurred  
15 during the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2003, in  
16 connection with administering Subchapter G, Chapter 101,  
17 Occupations Code, as added by Chapter 305, Acts of the 78th  
18 Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, shall be paid out of the  
19 appropriations made by Subsection (a) of this section and shall be  
20 allocated to the appropriate employee benefit appropriation items  
21 in accordance with applicable rules of the comptroller.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect January 15, 2004.