

Amend **CSHB 1** as follows:

(1) Under the Article II appropriation to the Department of Human Services (page II-\_\_\_), add the following appropriately numbered rider:

**NURSING FACILITY BEDS FOR MEDICAID ELIGIBLE VETERANS.**

Contingent upon a request from the Texas Veterans Land Board, it is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Human Services create a program for Medicaid-eligible veterans that will enable those individuals to be placed in State Veterans Homes. It is further the intent of the Legislature that the department amend its nursing facility bed allocation rules to create sufficient certified beds to accommodate the requirements of such a program.