

Amend CSHB 2292 by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 2 of the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. (a) Chapter 285, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subchapter M, to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER M. PROVISION OF SERVICES

Sec. 285.201. PROVISION OF MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE. As authorized by 8 U.S.C. Section 1621 (d), this Chapter affirmatively establishes eligibility for a person who would otherwise be ineligible under 8 U.S.C. Section 1621 (a), provided that only local funds are utilized for the provision of non-emergency public health benefits. A person is not considered a resident of a governmental entity or hospital district if the person attempted to establish residence solely to obtain health care assistance.

(b) This section takes effect immediately if this Act 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 section takes effect September 1, 2003.