

Amend CSSB 1370 as follows:

(1) In Article 1 of the bill, insert the following new SECTION:

SECTION 1.\_\_\_\_. Subchapter E, Chapter 3, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Article 3.50-7A to read as follows:

Art. 3.50-7A. LIMITATIONS APPLICABLE TO TEXAS SCHOOL EMPLOYEES UNIFORM GROUP COVERAGE PROGRAM. (a) This article applies only to the uniform group coverage program established under Article 3.50-7 of this code. A term used in this article has the meaning assigned by Section 2, Article 3.50-7, of this code.

(b) The Teacher Retirement System of Texas, as trustee, may not contract for or provide a health coverage plan that excludes from participation in the network a general hospital that:

(1) is located in a county, all or part of which is located within the geographical service area of the health coverage plan, in which at least two, but not more than four, general hospitals are located; and

(2) agrees to provide medical and health care services under the plan subject to the same terms and conditions as other hospital providers under the plan.

(2) In Article 2 of the bill, insert the following new SECTION:

SECTION 2.\_\_\_\_. (a) Section 1551.205, Insurance Code, is amended to conform to Section 30, Chapter 1231, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, and further amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1551.205. LIMITATIONS. (a) The board of trustees may not contract for or provide a coverage plan that:

(1) excludes or limits coverage or services for acquired immune deficiency syndrome, as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Public Health Service, or human immunodeficiency virus infection; or

(2) provides coverage for serious mental illness that is less extensive than the minimum coverage ~~[provided]~~ for serious mental ~~[any physical]~~ illness required by Section 3, Article 3.51-14.

(b) The board of trustees may not contract for or provide a

coverage plan that excludes from participation in the network a general hospital that:

(1) is located in a county, all or part of which is located within the geographical service area of the health coverage plan, in which at least two, but not more than four, general hospitals are located; and

(2) agrees to provide medical and health care services under the plan subject to the same terms and conditions as other hospital providers under the plan.

(b) Section 30, Chapter 1231, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, is repealed.

(3) In Article 3 of the bill, insert the following new SECTION:

SECTION 3.\_\_\_\_. Subchapter D, Chapter 1575, Insurance Code, as effective June 1, 2003, is amended by adding Section 1575.163 to read as follows:

Sec. 1575.163. LIMITATIONS. The Teacher Retirement System of Texas, as trustee, may not contract for or provide a health benefit plan that excludes from participation in the network a general hospital that:

(1) is located in a county, all or part of which is located within the geographical service area of the health coverage plan, in which at least two, but not more than four, general hospitals are located; and

(2) agrees to provide medical and health care services under the plan subject to the same terms and conditions as other hospital providers under the plan.

(4) Renumber SECTIONS of the bill appropriately.