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H.B. No. 3399

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to an increase in sales tax to fund Health and Human
3 Services.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 151.051 (b), Tax Code, is amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (b) The sales tax rate is 7-1/4 [~~6-1/4~~] percent of the sales
8 price of the taxable item sold.

9 SECTION 2. Section 151.801, Tax Code, is amended by
10 amending subsection (a) and adding subsection (f).

11 (a) Except for the amounts allocated under Subsections (b)
12 and (c) and (f), all proceeds from the collection of the taxes
13 imposed by this chapter shall be deposited to the credit of the
14 general revenue fund.

15 (f) The amount of the proceeds from the collection of the
16 taxes imposed by this chapter above 6-1/4 percent may only be
17 appropriated in equal amounts to the Department of Mental Health
18 and Mental Retardation and the Department of Human Services to fund
19 treatment and care of mental health and mental retardation and
20 treatment and care for the elderly.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.