

1-1 By: Deuell, et al. S.B. No. 1409
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2003; March 20, 2003, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services;
1-4 April 22, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7,
1-5 Nays 0; April 22, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to funding and extending the expiration date of the
1-9 regional emergency medical dispatch resource center pilot program.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 771.105, Health and Safety Code, is
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 771.105. FUNDING OF PILOT PROGRAM. (a) Money in the
1-14 9-1-1 services fee fund may be appropriated to the Texas Department
1-15 of Health to fund the pilot program.

1-16 (b) The department is also authorized to seek grant funding
1-17 for the pilot program.

1-18 (c) A political subdivision that participates in the pilot
1-19 program may pay an appropriate share of the cost of the pilot
1-20 program.

1-21 (d) The provisions in this subchapter that require the
1-22 department to establish, conduct, and evaluate the pilot program
1-23 are contingent on the department receiving funding in accordance
1-24 with this section. If a sufficient number of political
1-25 subdivisions in a region that could be served by a pilot program
1-26 offer to pay the Texas Department of Health an amount that in the
1-27 aggregate, together with any other funding received under this
1-28 section, is sufficient to fund the pilot program for the region, the
1-29 department:

1-30 (1) shall enter into contracts with the offering
1-31 political subdivisions under which each will pay an appropriate
1-32 share of the cost; and

1-33 (2) when the amount under the signed contracts,
1-34 together with any other funding received under this section, is
1-35 sufficient to fund the pilot program for the region, shall
1-36 implement the pilot program for the region.

1-37 SECTION 2. Section 771.108, Health and Safety Code, is
1-38 amended to read as follows:

1-39 Sec. 771.108. EXPIRATION. This subchapter expires
1-40 September 1, 2005 [~~2003~~].

1-41 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-42 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-43 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-44 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-45 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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