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S.C.R. No. 62

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Employees Retirement System of Texas (ERS)
2 administers an insurance program for state officers and employees,
3 including employees of most institutions of higher education; and

4 WHEREAS, As part of its duties relating to the insurance
5 program, the ERS board of trustees is responsible for providing or
6 contracting for the provision of health benefits that offer ERS
7 members the best possible services at the most reasonable and
8 fiscally responsible costs; and

9 WHEREAS, It is also the responsibility of the board to
10 investigate all options for the provision of high-quality health
11 benefits and to ensure that all qualified providers have the
12 opportunity to participate in the state program; now, therefore, be
13 it

14 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
15 hereby direct the Employees Retirement System of Texas to ensure
16 that any contract signed or coverage plan provided does not
17 discriminate against any provider that is located within the
18 geographic coverage area of the health benefit plan and that is
19 willing to meet the terms and conditions for participation
20 established by the health insurer; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the secretary of state forward an official
22 copy of this resolution to the executive director of the Employees
23 Retirement System of Texas.