

Amend **CSHB 2048** by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. (a) The commission shall not implement the redesigned integrated eligibility and benefits determination system for health and human services under Section 531.063, Government Code, as added by Chapter 198, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, until the Texas Integrated Eligibility and Redesign System is operational for all programs with respect to which it will be used.

(b) In determining whether the Texas Integrated Eligibility and Redesign System is operational, the Health and Human Services Commission shall consider whether the system:

(1) has been fully tested and determined to be operational with respect to all programs the system is designed to serve;

(2) meets or exceeds the levels of timeliness and accuracy provided by the current automation systems that the system is designed to replace; and

(3) is capable of producing caseload and administrative data and reports in a manner as accurate and as timely as provided by the current automations systems that the system is designed to replace.

SECTION _____. If the Health and Human Services Commission determines that the Texas Integrated Eligibility and Redesign System is operational for all programs with respect to which it will be used, the executive commissioner of the commission shall submit to the governor and the presiding officers of the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives having primary jurisdiction over health and human services a report stating that the criteria specified by Section ____ (b) of this Act have been met and providing evidence of that fact. If, at the time the report is submitted, the legislature is not convened in a regular or special session, the executive commissioner shall also submit the report to the Legislative Budget Board.