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H.B. No. 288

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 288:

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C.S.H.B. No. 288

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the personal needs allowance for certain Medicaid recipients who are residents of long-term care facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 32.024, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Subsection (w-1) to read as follows:

(w-1) Subject to Subsection (w) and the availability of funds, the department may set a personal needs allowance described by Subsection (w) in an amount not to exceed \$60. This subsection expires September 1, 2007.

SECTION 2. Section 32.024(w-1), Human Resources Code, as added by this Act, applies to a personal needs allowance paid on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. If before implementing any provision of this Act a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision, the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the waiver or authorization is granted.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.