By: Hilderbran H.B. No. 2584

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the Kimble County Hospital District of Kimble County,

- 3 Texas.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 5(f), Chapter 873, Acts of the 62nd
- 6 Legislature, Regular Session, 1971, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 (f) Each year on the <u>uniform election date prescribed by</u>
- 8 Section 41.001, Election Code, [first Saturday] in May, an election
- 9 shall be held for the purpose of electing the appropriate number of
- 10 directors to the board.
- SECTION 2. Section 8(e), Chapter 873, Acts of the 62nd
- 12 Legislature, Regular Session, 1971, is amended to read as follows:
- (e) The assessor and collector of taxes is entitled to a
- 14 reasonable fee that is agreed to by the district as compensation for
- 15 the person's [his] services [of not more than one percent of the
- 16 total tax collected, but not to exceed \$5,000 in any one fiscal
- 17 year. The board shall fix the exact amount of compensation. The
- 18 tax assessor and collector shall deduct this fee from the payments
- 19 made to the district of the taxes collected, and deposit that amount
- 20 in the general fund of the county as a fee of office of the tax
- 21 <u>assessor and collector</u>].
- SECTION 3. Section 12(g), Chapter 873, Acts of the 62nd
- 23 Legislature, Regular Session, 1971, is amended to read as follows:
- 24 (g) The board may enter into a [any] contract with any other

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- 1 public or private entity, including the federal government, this
- 2 state, a municipality, or any other political subdivision, or a
- 3 charitable organization, to provide health care or related services
- 4 inside or [a municipality or other political subdivision to provide
- 5 hospital and medical care for needy persons who reside] outside the
- 6 district.
- 7 SECTION 4. Section 14(c), Chapter 873, Acts of the 62nd
- 8 Legislature, Regular Session, 1971, is amended to read as follows:
- 9 (c) If the patient or a relative of the patient who is
- 10 legally liable for the patient's [his] support is able to pay for
- 11 the patient's [this] care in whole or in part, the board shall order
- 12 the patient or the patient's [his] relatives to pay to the district
- 13 [the treasurer] each week an amount specified in the order. The
- amount must be in proportion to the ability to pay. The board shall
- send a billing statement charging the amount specified in the order
- to the person ordered to pay for the patient's care.
- 17 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 21 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.