By: Eiland (Senate Sponsor - Nelson) 1-1 H.B. No. 2618 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 16, 2005; May 17, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 20, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 20, 2005, sent to 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 1-6 printer.) A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 - 71-8 AN ACT 1-9 relating to county expenditures for certain health care services. 1-10 1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 61.036(c), Health and Safety Code, is 1-12 amended to read as follows: (c) Regardless of the application, documentation, and verification procedures or eligibility standards established by 1-13 1-14 the department under Subchapter A, a county may credit an expenditure for an eligible resident toward eligibility for state assistance if the eligible resident received the health care 1**-**15 1**-**16 1-17 services at: 1-18 1-19 $\overline{\ (1)}$ a hospital maintained or operated by a state agency that has a contract with the county to provide health care 1-20 1-21 services; or 1-22 a federally qualified health center delivering federally qualified health center services, as those terms are defined in 42 U.S.C. Sections 1396d(1)(2)(A) and (B), that has a 1-23 1-24 1**-**25 1**-**26 contract with the county to provide health care services.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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