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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to vision and dental benefits provided under the state
- 3 child health plan.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 62.151, Health and Safety Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:
- 7 <u>(g) The covered benefits provided under the child health</u>
- 8 plan must include vision benefits and dental benefits that, at a
- 9 minimum, are equivalent to the vision and dental benefits provided
- 10 under the plan before September 1, 2003.
- 11 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of Section
- 12 62.151(g), Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act, a state
- 13 agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal
- 14 agency is necessary for implementation of that provision, the
- 15 agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or
- 16 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the
- 17 waiver or authorization is granted.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.