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S.B. No. 983

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to home health care and hospice services 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 (g) The child health plan must provide as a covered benefit:

8 (1) home health care services; and

9 (2) hospice services.

10 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act
11 the Health and Human Services Commission or another state agency
12 determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is
13 necessary for implementation of that provision, the agency affected
14 by the provision shall request the waiver or authorization and may
15 delay implementing that provision until the waiver or authorization
16 is granted.

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.