

1-1 By: Van de Putte S.B. No. 983  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 4, 2005; March 14, 2005, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services;  
1-4 April 6, 2005, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 6, 2005,  
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 983 By: Zaffirini

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to hospice services under the state child health plan.  
1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-12 SECTION 1. Section 62.151, Health and Safety Code, is  
1-13 amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:  
1-14 (g) The child health plan must provide hospice services as a  
1-15 covered benefit.  
1-16 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act  
1-17 the Health and Human Services Commission or another state agency  
1-18 determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is  
1-19 necessary for implementation of that provision, the agency affected  
1-20 by the provision shall request the waiver or authorization and may  
1-21 delay implementing that provision until the waiver or authorization  
1-22 is granted.  
1-23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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