

By: Brown of Brazos

H.B. No. 272

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to county responsibility for indigent health care services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 61.022, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

(c) In a state fiscal year, a county shall spend at least six percent of the county's general revenue levy for that year to provide health care assistance as prescribed by this subchapter to eligible county residents.

(d) A county that does not spend the amount required by Subsection (c) in a state fiscal year shall adopt a less restrictive standard of eligibility as authorized by Section 61.023 for the next fiscal year.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.