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H.B. No. 717

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to county liability for services provided under the Indigent Health Care and Treatment Act.

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

SECTION 1. Section 61.035, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 61.035. LIMITATION OF COUNTY LIABILITY. The maximum county liability for each state fiscal year for health care services provided by all assistance providers, including a hospital and a skilled nursing facility, to each eligible county resident is:

(1) \$35,000 [~~\$30,000~~]; or

(2) the payment of 30 days of hospitalization or treatment in a skilled nursing facility, or both, or \$35,000 [~~\$30,000~~], whichever occurs first, if the county provides hospital or skilled nursing facility services to the resident.

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