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H.B. No. 1633

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1633:

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C.S.H.B. No. 1633

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to the determination of eligibility for Medicaid for  
3 certain persons in the armed forces and their family members.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 32.026, Human Resources Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsection (d-1) to read as follows:

7 (d-1) In adopting rules under this section, the executive  
8 commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall, to  
9 the extent allowed by federal law, develop and implement an  
10 expedited process for determining eligibility for and enrollment in  
11 the medical assistance program for a person who is on active duty as  
12 a member of the armed forces of the United States or the state  
13 military forces, or the spouse or dependent of that person. The  
14 process developed under this subsection must allow a person who  
15 presents the person's military identification and proof that the  
16 person was enrolled in the Medicaid program in another state to  
17 receive treatment through the medical assistance program  
18 immediately.

19 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act  
20 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a  
21 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision,  
22 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or  
23 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the  
24 waiver or authorization is granted.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.