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S.B. No. 171

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the responsibility of The University of Texas Medical  
3 Branch at Galveston to provide health care services to certain  
4 residents.

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

6 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 74.005, Education Code,  
7 is amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 74.005. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN PATIENTS; MEDICAL BRANCH  
9 AS HOSPITAL OF LAST RESORT.

10 SECTION 2. Section 74.005, Education Code, is amended by  
11 adding Subsection (d-1) to read as follows:

12 (d-1) Subject to this section and Chapter 61, Health and  
13 Safety Code, the medical branch that treats an eligible resident of  
14 a county, public hospital, or hospital district is entitled to  
15 reimbursement of the medical branch's actual costs of providing  
16 health care services to the eligible resident from the appropriate  
17 county, public hospital, or hospital district.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.