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H.B. No. 434

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to a requirement that program materials for the Energy
3 Services Program for Low-Income Individuals be provided in certain
4 languages.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 2306.097, Government Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 2306.097. ENERGY SERVICES PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME
9 INDIVIDUALS. (a) The Energy Services Program for Low-Income
10 Individuals shall operate in conjunction with the community
11 services block grant program and has jurisdiction and
12 responsibility for administration of the following elements of the
13 State Low-Income Energy Assistance Program, from whatever sources
14 funded:

- 15 (1) the Energy Crisis Intervention Program;
16 (2) the weatherization program; and
17 (3) the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

18 (b) Applications, forms, and educational materials for a
19 program administered under Subsection (a)(1), (2), or (3) must be
20 provided in English, Spanish, and any other appropriate language.

21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.