

1-1 By: Lucio III, Leibowitz H.B. No. 434  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2009;  
1-4 May 7, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Business  
1-5 and Commerce; May 22, 2009, reported favorably by the following  
1-6 vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 22, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to a requirement that program materials for the Energy  
1-10 Services Program for Low-Income Individuals be provided in certain  
1-11 languages.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 2306.097, Government Code, is amended to  
1-14 read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 2306.097. ENERGY SERVICES PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME  
1-16 INDIVIDUALS. (a) The Energy Services Program for Low-Income  
1-17 Individuals shall operate in conjunction with the community  
1-18 services block grant program and has jurisdiction and  
1-19 responsibility for administration of the following elements of the  
1-20 State Low-Income Energy Assistance Program, from whatever sources  
1-21 funded:

1-22 (1) the Energy Crisis Intervention Program;

1-23 (2) the weatherization program; and

1-24 (3) the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

1-25 (b) Applications, forms, and educational materials for a  
1-26 program administered under Subsection (a)(1), (2), or (3) must be  
1-27 provided in English, Spanish, and any other appropriate language.

1-28 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-29 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-30 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-31 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-32 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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