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H.B. No. 845

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the restoration of the medically needy program under the state Medicaid program.

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

SECTION 1. Section 32.024(i), Human Resources Code, as amended by Chapters 198 (H.B. 2292) and 1251 (S.B. 1862), Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(i) The ~~[Subject to appropriated state funds, the]~~ department in its adoption of rules shall establish a medically needy program that serves pregnant women, children, and caretakers who have high medical expenses. The program must serve recipients, including adult recipients, in the same manner and at the same level that services were provided to recipients under the medically needy program during the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2003.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.