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H.B. No. 861

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to the authority of certain university systems to provide 3 benefits to certain qualified individuals.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 1601.107, Insurance Code, is amended to 6 read as follows:

Sec. 1601.107. COVERAGE FOR DEPENDENTS <u>AND OTHER QUALIFIED</u> <u>INDIVIDUALS</u>. (a) An individual who is eligible to participate in the uniform program under Section 1601.101 or 1601.102 is entitled to secure for a dependent of the individual, or for another <u>qualified individual</u>, any group coverages provided under this chapter for dependents under rules adopted by the applicable system.

14 (b) For purposes of this section, "qualified individual" has the meaning assigned by any applicable rule adopted by a system. 15 16 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to an insurance policy that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 17 2010. A policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed before 18 January 1, 2010, is governed by the law in effect when the policy 19 was delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed, and that law is 20 21 continued in effect for that purpose.

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SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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