Amend HB 2882 (house committee printing) by striking all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 281, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 281.075 to read as follows:

Sec. 281.075. NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT; HOSPITAL LIEN. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, the Nueces County Hospital District has a lien on a cause of action or claim of an individual who receives health care services provided or paid for by the district for injuries caused by an accident that is attributed to the negligence of another person.

(b) Chapter 55, Property Code, applies to a lien filed under this section. In addition to the requirements under that chapter, not later than the fifth business day after the hospital district files a lien under this section, the district shall send notice of the lien to the affected individual by regular mail.

SECTION 2. This Act applies only to the receipt of hospital services on or after the effective date of this Act. The receipt of services before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date of receipt of services, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.