

Amend CSSB 23 (senate engrossed version) in SECTION 4 of the bill by inserting the following appropriately lettered subsection to the SECTION and relettering subsequent subsections of the SECTION accordingly:

(____) Subchapter B, Chapter 531, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 531.0695 to read as follows:

Sec. 531.0695. PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS. (a) In this section, "prescription drug benefits" means any prescription drug benefits paid by the state under the Medicaid vendor drug program, the child health plan program, the kidney health care program, the children with special health care needs program, or another state program administered by the Health and Human Services Commission.

(b) Effective September 1, 2011, and thereafter, the commission shall continue to internally administer prescription drug benefits through the vendor drug program in a fee-for-service model.

(c) The commission shall adopt rules to achieve cost-saving measures for prescription drugs benefits that are comparable to those savings that are projected by the commission if prescription drug benefits were administered in a managed care system.