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H.B. No. 28

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to reimbursement for health care services provided at certain times to persons enrolled in the Medicaid managed care program.

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

SECTION 1. Section 533.01315(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commission shall ensure that a federally qualified health center, physician office, rural health clinic, or municipal health department's public clinic is reimbursed for health care services provided to a recipient outside of regular business hours, including on a weekend or holiday, at a rate that is equal to the allowable rate for those services as determined under Section 32.028, Human Resources Code, regardless of whether the recipient has a referral from the recipient's primary care provider.

SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision, the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the waiver or authorization is granted.

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