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H.B. No. 381

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the operation of a student health center of an institution of higher education.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 51.953, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 51.953. [~~CERTAIN REVENUE RECEIVED FROM~~] STUDENT HEALTH CENTER [~~SERVICES~~].

SECTION 2. Section 51.953, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsections (c), (d), and (e) to read as follows:

(c) The student health center of an institution of higher education shall assist a student or other person entitled to obtain health care services from the health center in receiving benefits under a health benefit plan by filing or having a claim filed with the health benefit plan issuer on behalf of the student or other person.

(d) An institution of higher education on behalf of the institution's student health center located within the geographic service area of a health benefit plan may contract with the health benefit plan issuer to provide health care services under the plan to students or other persons entitled to obtain health care services from the health center who are covered by the plan.

(e) Not later than January 15 of each year, the governing board of an institution of higher education shall report to the

1 legislature the amount of the following sources of income for  
2 funding the institution's student health center:

3 (1) money received from student fees and charges;

4 (2) money received from the operation of the student  
5 health center's pharmacy;

6 (3) money received as a result of a claim filed by or  
7 on behalf of the institution's student health center under a health  
8 benefit plan sponsored by or administered on behalf of the  
9 institution; and

10 (4) money received as a result of a claim filed by or  
11 on behalf of the institution's student health center under a health  
12 benefit plan other than a plan sponsored by or administered on  
13 behalf of the institution.

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