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H.B. No. 2615

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the provision of information on financial literacy  
3 resources to the public.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 403, Government Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 403.0255 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 403.0255. FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAM INFORMATION. (a)  
8 In this section:

9 (1) "Financial literacy" means proficiency at  
10 managing personal finances.

11 (2) "Health and human services agencies" has the  
12 meaning assigned by Section 531.001.

13 (b) The comptroller shall collect information on programs,  
14 including classes, and other resources available to the public that  
15 focus on teaching financial literacy and compile the information in  
16 a brochure.

17 (c) The comptroller shall identify appropriate state  
18 agencies through which to distribute the brochures to the public,  
19 such as the Health and Human Services Commission, health and human  
20 services agencies, and other agencies whose employees frequently  
21 interact with the public. The comptroller shall make the brochures  
22 available to the identified agencies.

23 (d) A state agency identified as appropriate for  
24 distributing the brochures shall ensure that the brochures are

1 readily available to interested persons at locations at which those  
2 persons frequently access services provided by the agency.

3 (e) The comptroller shall periodically update the  
4 information contained in a brochure required by this section and  
5 make the updated brochures available to the state agencies  
6 identified as appropriate for distributing the brochures.

7 SECTION 2. The comptroller of public accounts shall produce  
8 and distribute to appropriate state agencies the brochure required  
9 by Section 403.0255, Government Code, as added by this Act, not  
10 later than December 1, 2011.

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