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H.B. No. 2786

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting certain funds from supporting abortions or abortion-related services.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 531, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 531.0025 to read as follows:

Sec. 531.0025. RESTRICTION ON CERTAIN FUNDS RECEIVED.

Notwithstanding any other law, any money received by health and human services agencies for family planning services, including grant money, may only be awarded or otherwise provided to a person or facility that does not perform abortions or provide abortion-related services.

SECTION 2. Section 32.024, Human Resources Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

(c-1) The department shall ensure that money spent under the medical assistance program is not used to perform abortions or provide abortion-related services.

SECTION 3. 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 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.