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H.B. No. 3768

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a lien on a cause of action or claim of an individual who  
3 receives emergency medical services in certain counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 55.002(c), Property Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (c) An emergency medical services provider has a lien on a  
8 cause of action or claim of an individual who receives emergency  
9 medical services in a county with a population of one million  
10 [~~575,000~~] or less for injuries caused by an accident that is  
11 attributed to the negligence of another person. For the lien to  
12 attach, the individual must receive the emergency medical services  
13 not later than 72 hours after the accident.

14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
15 to emergency medical services provided by an emergency medical  
16 services provider on or after the effective date of this Act.  
17 Emergency medical services provided by an emergency medical  
18 services provider before the effective date of this Act are  
19 governed by the law in effect at the time the services were  
20 provided, and the former law is continued in effect for that  
21 purpose.

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