

By: Duncan

S.B. No. 628

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the Childress County Hospital District to provide facilities and services for persons who are elderly or disabled; providing authority to issue bonds and notes.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 1012, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 1012.114 to read as follows:

Sec. 1012.114. FACILITIES OR SERVICES FOR PERSONS WHO ARE ELDERLY OR DISABLED. (a) The district may:

(1) purchase, construct, acquire, repair, renovate, equip, or administer the following types of facilities or services for the care of persons who are elderly or disabled:

(A) a nursing home or similar long-term care facility;

(B) elderly housing;

(C) assisted living;

(D) home health;

(E) personal care;

(F) special care; or

(G) continuing care; and

(2) purchase, acquire, repair, or equip durable medical equipment to provide services to persons who are elderly or disabled.

1 (b) For a facility or service described by Subsection (a),
2 the board may:

3 (1) lease or enter into an operating or management
4 agreement relating to all or part of a facility or service that is
5 owned by the district;

6 (2) close, transfer, sell, or otherwise convey all or
7 part of a facility; and

8 (3) discontinue all or part of a service.

9 (c) The board may issue general obligation bonds, revenue
10 bonds, and other notes to acquire, construct, or improve a facility
11 for the care of persons who are elderly or disabled or to implement
12 the delivery of a service for the care of persons who are elderly or
13 disabled.

14 (d) For the purposes of this section, a facility or service
15 described by Subsection (a) is a hospital project under Chapter
16 223, Health and Safety Code, notwithstanding Section 223.002 of
17 that chapter.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.