

Amend CSSB 1542 (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 538.002(2), Government Code (page 1, line 41), strike "or".

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 538.002(3), Government Code (page 1, line 44), strike the underlined period and substitute the following:

; or

(4) implement any initiative that would expand eligibility for benefits under the Medicaid program.

(3) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 538.052(a)(1), Government Code (page 2, lines 11 and 12), strike "or a holder of an office of state government that is voted on statewide".

(4) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 538.052(b)(1), Government Code (page 2, line 30), strike "and" and substitute "or".

(5) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section 538.057(1), Government Code (page 4, lines 11 through 27), and substitute the following:

(1) if the commission has determined that the initiative is cost-effective and will improve the quality of care under the Medicaid program, the commission may:

(A) implement the initiative if implementation of the initiative is not otherwise prohibited by law; or

(B) if implementation requires a change in law, submit a copy of the final report together with recommendations relating to the initiative's implementation to the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives having jurisdiction over the Medicaid program; and