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H.B. No. 1225

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to reimbursement of certain providers of durable medical equipment and supplies under the Medicaid program.

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

SECTION 1. Section 32.0314, Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 32.0314. REIMBURSEMENT FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. The executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall adopt rules requiring that:

(1) a provider of durable medical equipment and supplies under the medical assistance program whose principal office is not located in this state be reimbursed at a rate equal to 85 percent of the rate established for a provider whose principal office is located in this state; and

(2) [~~the electronic submission of~~] any claim for reimbursement for durable medical equipment and supplies under the medical assistance program be electronically submitted.

SECTION 2. 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 3. 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, 2013.