

AN ACT

relating to the reporting of health care associated infections.

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

SECTION 1. Section 98.103, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) A report made under this section must specify whether the infection resulted in the death of the patient while hospitalized.

SECTION 2. Section 98.106(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The department shall compile and make available to the public a summary, by health care facility, of:

(1) the infections reported by facilities under Section 98.103, including whether the infections resulted in the death of the patient while hospitalized; and

(2) the preventable adverse events reported by facilities under Section 98.1045.

SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission shall adopt the rules and procedures necessary to implement the changes made by this Act to Subchapter C, Chapter 98, Health and Safety Code.

SECTION 4. (a) The change in law made by this Act applies to a report required under Section 98.103, Health and Safety Code,

1 that is made in a reporting period beginning on or after March 1,
2 2014. A report made under Section 98.103, Health and Safety Code,
3 during a reporting period that begins before March 1, 2014, is
4 covered by the law in existence on the date the reporting period
5 began, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

6 (b) The change in law made by this Act applies to a
7 departmental summary published under Section 98.106, Health and
8 Safety Code, that covers a reporting period beginning on or after
9 March 1, 2014. A departmental summary that covers a reporting
10 period that begins before March 1, 2014, is covered by the law in
11 existence on the date the reporting period began, and the former law
12 is continued in effect for that purpose.

13 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3285 was passed by the House on May 7, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 133, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3285 was passed by the Senate on May 20, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor