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H.B. No. 3329

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to certain reimbursement rates offered by health benefit  
3 plan administrators for certain health coverage plans.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 1579, Insurance Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 1579.109 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 1579.109. LIMITATIONS. The trustee may not contract  
8 for or provide a health coverage plan that provides a reimbursement  
9 rate for a health care service that is less than the greater of the  
10 rate paid by the state Medicaid program or the federal Medicare  
11 program for that service.

12 SECTION 2. Section 1579.109, Insurance Code, as added by  
13 this Act, applies only to a health coverage plan provided under  
14 Chapter 1579, Insurance Code, beginning with the 2014-2015 plan  
15 year. A plan year before 2014-2015 is governed by the law as it  
16 existed immediately before September 1, 2014, and that law is  
17 continued in effect for that purpose.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.