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H.B. No. 2584

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the authority of the executive commissioner of the
3 Health and Human Services Commission to adopt rules defining
4 certain medical conditions.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 242.040, Health and Safety Code, is
7 amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

8 (g) The executive commissioner by rule shall adopt a
9 definition of "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders," and may
10 adopt by reference a definition published in a generally accepted
11 clinical resource for medical professionals. The executive
12 commissioner shall modify the definition as necessary to conform to
13 changes in medical practice.

14 SECTION 2. Section 247.029, Health and Safety Code, is
15 amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

16 (d) The executive commissioner of the Health and Human
17 Services Commission by rule shall adopt a definition of
18 "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders," and may adopt by
19 reference a definition published in a generally accepted clinical
20 resource for medical professionals. The executive commissioner
21 shall modify the definition as necessary to conform to changes in
22 medical practice.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.