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H.B. No. 3049

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sales and use taxation of certain cleaning services in a licensed health care facility.

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

SECTION 1. Section 151.0048, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-3) to read as follows:

(b-3) "Real property service" does not include the environmental cleaning, disinfection, sanitation, and sterilization of patient care rooms and associated equipment, hallways, and diagnostic or treatment areas where patients or visitors are granted access in a licensed health care facility. This subsection does not apply to cleaning in administrative offices, shops, or cafeterias inside the facility. For purposes of this subsection, "environmental cleaning, disinfection, sanitation, and sterilization" means the processes and preferred methods implemented by a specialized service provider for cleaning, disinfection, sanitation, and sterilization that are recommended by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and approved by the health care facility's infection control program.

SECTION 2. This Act is a clarification of existing law and does not imply that existing law may be construed as inconsistent with the law as amended by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 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.