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H.B. No. 3922

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to reimbursement for certain eye health care services provided to persons enrolled in the Medicaid managed care program.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 533, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 533.00266 to read as follows:

Sec. 533.00266. COVERED EYE HEALTH CARE SERVICES. A managed care organization that contracts with the commission under this chapter shall reimburse an optometrist or a therapeutic optometrist for services provided to a recipient enrolled in the organization's managed care plan that are within the scope of:

(1) services provided under Medicaid; and

(2) the professional specialty practice for which the optometrist or therapeutic optometrist is licensed and credentialed.

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 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.