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H.B. No. 20

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to an appropriation of money from the economic  
3 stabilization fund to decrease participants' health insurance  
4 costs for certain health benefit plans administered by the Teacher  
5 Retirement System of Texas.

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

7 SECTION 1. The amount of \$212.7 million is appropriated  
8 from the economic stabilization fund to the retired school  
9 employees group insurance fund established under Section 1575.301,  
10 Insurance Code, for use by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas to  
11 decrease the costs for the 2018 and 2019 plan years for participants  
12 in the Texas Public School Employees Group Insurance Program  
13 authorized by Chapter 1575, Insurance Code.

14 SECTION 2. The Teacher Retirement System of Texas may use  
15 funds appropriated by this Act only to:

16 (1) decrease the premiums and deductibles that would  
17 otherwise be paid during the 2018 and 2019 plan years by  
18 participants in the Texas Public School Employees Group Insurance  
19 Program authorized by Chapter 1575, Insurance Code; and

20 (2) reduce costs for an enrolled adult child with a  
21 mental disability or a physical incapacity during the 2018 and 2019  
22 plan years.

23 SECTION 3. (a) Subject to Subsection (b) of this section:

24 (1) this Act takes effect immediately if it receives a

1 vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution; and

3 (2) if this Act does not receive the vote necessary for  
4 immediate effect, this Act takes effect on the 91st day after the  
5 last day of the legislative session.

6 (b) This Act takes effect only if it receives a vote of  
7 two-thirds of the members present in each house of the legislature,  
8 as provided by Section 49-g(m), Article III, Texas Constitution.