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H.B. No. 144

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a report concerning health care providers participating  
3 in the breast and cervical cancer services program, the family  
4 planning program, and the Texas women's health program.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 531, Government Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 531.02222 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 531.02222. REPORT ON PROVIDERS PARTICIPATING IN  
9 WOMEN'S HEALTH PROGRAMS. (a) In this section:

10 (1) "Breast and cervical cancer services program"  
11 means a program operated by the commission that provides screening,  
12 diagnostic, and other services related to breast and cervical  
13 cancer to women in this state.

14 (2) "Family planning program" means a program operated  
15 by the commission that provides health care and core family  
16 planning services to individuals in this state.

17 (3) "Texas women's health program" means a program  
18 operated by the commission that is substantially similar to the  
19 demonstration project operated under former Section 32.0248, Human  
20 Resources Code, and that is intended to expand access to preventive  
21 health and family planning services for women in this state.

22 (b) Not later than December 31 of each even-numbered year,  
23 the commission shall prepare and submit a report to the legislature  
24 on the registered provider locations participating in the breast

1 and cervical cancer services program, the family planning program,  
2 and the Texas women's health program. The report must:

3 (1) cover the period beginning June 1 occurring three  
4 years preceding the year in which the report is due and ending May  
5 31 occurring the year before the year in which the report is due;  
6 and

7 (2) include, for each registered provider location  
8 during the period covered by the report:

9 (A) the number of physicians participating in  
10 each program at that location;

11 (B) the number of individuals seen by each  
12 physician participating in a program at that location and the  
13 program in which the individuals were treated; and

14 (C) the number of times a specific individual was  
15 treated at that location by a participating physician in each  
16 program.

17 (c) If the breast and cervical cancer services program, the  
18 family planning program, or the Texas women's health program is  
19 consolidated with another program or otherwise modified, the  
20 commission shall include in the report under Subsection (b) the  
21 required information for each successor program that provides the  
22 same or similar services.

23 (d) The information provided under Subsection (b) may not  
24 include any personally identifying information about an  
25 individual.

26 SECTION 2. Not later than December 31, 2018, the Health and  
27 Human Services Commission shall provide to the legislature the

1 initial report for the period of June 1, 2015, through May 31, 2017,  
2 as required by Section 531.02222, Government Code, as added by this  
3 Act, notwithstanding Section 531.02222(b)(1), Government Code, as  
4 added by this Act.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect December 1, 2017.