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H.B. No. 193

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to an appropriation of money from the economic 3 stabilization fund to decrease health insurance premiums and 4 deductibles for certain health benefit plans administered by the 5 Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

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

7 SECTION 1. The amount of \$150 million is appropriated from the economic stabilization fund to the retired school employees 8 group insurance fund established under Section 1575.301, Insurance 9 Code, for use by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas to decrease 10 11 the premiums and deductibles for the 2018 and 2019 plan years for 12 enrollees in the high deductible health plan established under Section 1575.158, Insurance Code, as amended by H.B. 3976, 85th 13 14 Legislature, Regular Session, 2017.

15 SECTION 2. The Teacher Retirement System of Texas may use 16 funds appropriated by this Act only to decrease the premiums and 17 deductibles for the 2018 and 2019 plan years that would otherwise be 18 paid by enrollees in the high deductible health plan established 19 under Section 1575.158, Insurance Code, as amended by H.B. 3976, 20 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017.

21 SECTION 3. (a) Subject to Subsection (b) of this section: 22 (1) this Act takes effect immediately if it receives a 23 vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution; and

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

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