

1-1 By: Thompson of Harris, et al. H.B. No. 1600  
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Watson)  
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2017;  
 1-4 May 8, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &  
 1-5 Human Services; May 17, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable  
 1-6 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;  
 1-7 May 17, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-11	X			
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1-13	X			
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1-15	X			
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1-18	X			

1-19 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1600 By: Watson

1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to certain mental health screenings under the Texas Health  
 1-23 Steps program.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 32, Human Resources Code,  
 1-26 is amended by adding Section 32.0249 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 32.0249. MENTAL HEALTH SCREENINGS IN TEXAS HEALTH  
 1-28 STEPS PROGRAM. The executive commissioner, in the rules governing  
 1-29 the Texas Health Steps program, shall allow a provider to:

1-30 (1) conduct a mental health screening using one or  
 1-31 more validated, standardized mental health screening tools during  
 1-32 each annual medical exam of a recipient who is at least 12 years of  
 1-33 age but younger than 19 years of age; and

1-34 (2) be reimbursed for conducting one mental health  
 1-35 screening using one or more validated, standardized mental health  
 1-36 screening tools during each annual medical exam of a recipient  
 1-37 described by Subdivision (1).

1-38 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act  
 1-39 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a  
 1-40 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision,  
 1-41 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or  
 1-42 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the  
 1-43 waiver or authorization is granted.

1-44 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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