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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the reimbursement of providers for the provision of
3 certain home telemonitoring services under Medicaid.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section [531.02164](#), Government Code, is amended
6 by adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

7 (c-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (c)(1), the program
8 required under this section must also provide that home
9 telemonitoring services are available to pediatric patients with
10 chronic or complex medical needs who:

11 (1) are being concurrently treated by at least three
12 medical specialists;

13 (2) are diagnosed with end-stage solid organ disease;

14 (3) have received an organ transplant; or

15 (4) are diagnosed with severe asthma.

16 SECTION 2. The executive commissioner of the Health and
17 Human Services Commission shall adopt the rules necessary to
18 implement Section [531.02164](#)(c-1), Government Code, as added by this
19 Act, not later than December 1, 2017.

20 SECTION 3. If before implementing any provision of this Act
21 a state agency determines that a waiver, an amendment to an existing
22 waiver, or another authorization from a federal agency is necessary
23 for implementation of that provision, the agency affected by the
24 provision shall request the waiver, amendment to the existing

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1 waiver, or other authorization and may delay implementing that
2 provision until the waiver, amendment, or authorization is granted.

3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.