By: Miller   H.B. No. 2373

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1   AN ACT

2 relating to the period for filing a claim for reimbursement for

3 certain ancillary services under the Medicaid program.

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

5   SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 32, Human Resources Code,

6 is amended by adding Section 32.0317 to read as follows:

7   Sec. 32.0317. PERIOD FOR FILING REIMBURSEMENT CLAIMS BY

8 CERTAIN ANCILLARY SERVICE PROVIDERS.   (a)   In this section,

9 "ancillary service" means a health care service provided or ordered

10 by a physician or other health care provider to supplement or

11 support the evaluation or treatment of a patient, including a

12 diagnostic ultrasound test, laboratory test, cardiac diagnostic

13 test, or radiology service.

14   (b)   In adopting rules governing the period for filing claims

15 for reimbursement under the medical assistance program, the

16 executive commissioner shall ensure that a provider of an ancillary

17 service to a recipient who is homebound, as defined by rule by the

18 executive commissioner, or who resides in a nursing facility may

19 file a claim for reimbursement for that service with the

20 commission,   the   commission's   designee,   a   managed   care

21 organization, or other person, as appropriate, on or before the

22 270th day after the date the ancillary service is provided.

23   SECTION 2. The executive commissioner of the Health and

24 Human Services Commission shall adopt the rules necessary to

1 implement Section 32.0317, Human Resources Code, as added by this

2 Act, not later than January 1, 2018.

3   SECTION 3. If before implementing any provision of this Act

4 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a

5 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision,

6 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or

7 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the

8 waiver or authorization is granted.

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