

By: Davis of Dallas

H.B. No. 3457

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the establishment of a pilot program to provide
3 services to certain persons with Alzheimer's disease and related
4 dementia enrolled in the Medicaid managed care 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 531.09972 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 531.09972. PILOT PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN PERSONS WITH
9 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIA. (a) The commission
10 shall develop and implement a pilot program to improve the quality
11 of life and prevent the premature institutionalization of persons
12 with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia who receive services
13 from a day activity and health services facility licensed under
14 Chapter 103, Human Resources Code, and who are recipients of
15 Medicaid through a Medicaid managed care model or arrangement under
16 Chapter 533.

17 (b) In developing the pilot program, the commission shall
18 solicit input from relevant stakeholders, including caregivers,
19 advocates, Medicaid managed care organizations, providers,
20 physicians specializing in dementia, and social workers.

21 (c) The executive commissioner shall adopt rules for the
22 implementation of the pilot program, including life safety,
23 staffing, training, and programming requirements for the pilot
24 program necessary to ensure that the specific needs of the pilot

1 program participants are met.

2 (d) The pilot program must be based on evidence-based,
3 person-centered practices and ensure quality of care outcomes,
4 including outcomes based on safety, effectiveness, efficiency, and
5 equity, for the pilot program participants.

6 (e) Not later than December 1, 2018, the commission shall
7 report to the legislature on the progress of the pilot program.
8 This subsection expires September 1, 2019.

9 SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act
10 a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a
11 federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision,
12 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or
13 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the
14 waiver or authorization is granted.

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