Amend HB 2041 (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 6 of the bill, immediately following addedSection 254.156(i), Health and Safety Code (page 3, between lines51 and 52), insert the following:

(j) A facility's failure to obtain the signed disclosure statement required by this section from the patient or the patient's legally authorized representative may not be a determining factor in the adjudication of liability for health care services provided to the patient at the facility.

(2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION ____. The Health and Human Services Commission and the Department of State Health Services are required to implement a provision of this Act only if the legislature appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that purpose, the commission and department may, but are not required to, implement a provision of this Act using other appropriations available for that purpose.