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H.B. No. 744

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to the Medicaid eligibility of certain women after a
3 pregnancy.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 32.024, Human Resources Code, is amended
6 by adding Subsection (1-1) to read as follows:

7 (1-1) The commission shall continue to provide medical
8 assistance to a woman who is eligible for medical assistance for
9 pregnant women for a period of not less than 12 months following the
10 date the woman delivers or experiences an involuntary miscarriage.

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

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.