

AN ACT

relating to the licensing of a home and community support services agency; increasing fees.

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

SECTION 1. Section 142.006(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A license issued under this chapter expires three ~~[two]~~ years after the date of issuance. The executive commissioner by rule may adopt a system under which licenses expire on various dates during the three-year ~~[two-year]~~ period. For the year in which a license expiration date is changed, the commission ~~[department]~~ shall prorate the license fee on a monthly basis. Each license holder shall pay only that portion of the license fee allocable to the number of months for which the license is valid. A license holder shall pay the total license renewal fee at the time of renewal. The commission ~~[department]~~ may issue an initial license for a shorter term to conform expiration dates for a locality or an applicant. The commission ~~[department]~~ may issue a temporary license to an applicant for an initial license.

SECTION 2. Section 142.010(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The executive commissioner by rule shall set license fees for home and community support services agencies in amounts that are reasonable to meet the costs of administering this

1 chapter, except that the fees may not be less than \$600 or more than
2 \$2,625 [~~\$2,000~~] for a license to provide home health, hospice,
3 habilitation, or personal assistance services.

4 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date
5 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human
6 Services Commission shall adopt rules necessary to implement the
7 changes in law made by this Act.

8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

H.B. No. 3193

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3193 was passed by the House on May 10, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 137, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3193 on May 23, 2019, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 3193 on May 26, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

H.B. No. 3193

I certify that H.B. No. 3193 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 3193 on May 26, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor