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H.B. No. 3325

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the administration of a temporary health insurance risk
3 pool.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 1510.002, Insurance Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 1510.002. ESTABLISHMENT OF TEMPORARY HEALTH INSURANCE
8 RISK POOL. To the extent that federal funds become available under
9 federal law~~[, regulation, or executive action after March 1, 2017]~~,
10 the commissioner may:

11 (1) apply for such funds; and

12 (2) use such funds to establish and administer a
13 temporary health insurance risk pool for the purposes of this
14 chapter.

15 SECTION 2. Section 1510.008(a), Insurance Code, is amended
16 to read as follows:

17 (a) The commissioner may apply to the United States
18 secretary of health and human services:

19 (1) under 42 U.S.C. Section 18052 for a waiver of
20 applicable provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care
21 Act (Pub. L. No. 111-148) and any applicable regulations or
22 guidance; or

23 (2) under any applicable provision of federal law
24 ~~[enacted on or after May 1, 2017]~~ for a waiver of applicable

1 provisions of any federal law, regulations, or guidance with
2 respect to health insurance coverage consistent with Section
3 1510.003.

4 SECTION 3. Section 1510.012(a), Insurance Code, is amended
5 to read as follows:

6 (a) Beginning June 1, 2020 [~~2018~~], not later than June 1 of
7 each year, the department shall submit a report to the governor, the
8 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
9 representatives.

10 SECTION 4. Section 1510.013, Insurance Code, is amended to
11 read as follows:

12 Sec. 1510.013. EXPIRATION OF CHAPTER. This chapter
13 expires August 31, 2021 [~~2019~~].

14 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.