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H.B. No. 3985

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the provision of certain historical claims data and
3 other information to school districts and other participating
4 entities in the Texas school employees uniform group health
5 coverage program.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 1579, Insurance Code, is
8 amended by adding Section 1579.009 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 1579.009. PARTICIPATING ENTITY REQUEST FOR CERTAIN
10 INFORMATION. (a) Subject to Subsection (b), the trustee shall
11 provide to a participating entity any historical claims data,
12 enrollment information, or other relevant information available to
13 the trustee as requested by the entity in connection with a search
14 for alternative health benefit plan coverage for the entity's
15 employees and the employees' dependents. The information provided
16 must include, for each tier of group coverage and for the five-year
17 period preceding the date of the request:

18 (1) the monthly claims experience history;

19 (2) information concerning the type of illness or
20 injury and the ongoing status of the illness or injury for:

21 (A) each medical claim that exceeds \$50,000; and

22 (B) each related series of medical claims for the
23 same covered individual and for the same diagnosis that exceeds
24 \$50,000;

1 (3) any other information requested by the
2 participating entity concerning covered individuals who are
3 responsible for a claim or claims that total a large amount, as
4 specified by the requesting participating entity;

5 (4) information concerning prescription drug claims
6 and costs; and

7 (5) plan enrollment.

8 (b) The information provided by the trustee under this
9 section may not include any personally identifying information of a
10 covered individual, including any information that would identify a
11 named covered individual as having a particular medical condition.

12 (c) The trustee shall provide the information requested
13 under this section at no cost to the requesting participating
14 entity.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.