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H.B. No. 4601

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the creation of a workgroup to study uniform quality measures under a value-based program for long-term services and supports.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 531, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 531.0122 to read as follows:

Sec. 531.0121. WORKGROUP ON UNIFORM QUALITY MEASURES UNDER A VALUE-BASED PROGRAM FOR LONG-TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS. (a) Within a committee established under Section 531.012 that studies quality improvement and value-based payment initiatives, the Commission shall establish a workgroup to engage stakeholders representing clients, providers, and other relevant industries providing community long-term services and supports to develop uniform quality measures under a value-based program for long-term services and supports including:

(1) developing the underlying methodology for measuring quality under a value-based program;

(2) identifying the data sources used under the methodology; and

(3) establishing a process for the reporting, collecting, and validating of the data used in the methodology.

(b) Data collected shall be accessible to the public including the quality metrics.

1 (c) Through the workgroup process and upon agreement of the
2 full committee, the commission shall establish a plan and timeline
3 for implementing the measures as defined by this Subchapter.

4 (d) The commission shall submit a report on the plan and
5 timeline for implementing the uniform quality measures to the
6 governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house, and each
7 standing committee with jurisdiction overseeing the financing,
8 operation, and management of Medicaid no later than September 1,
9 2020.

10 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.