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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO.\_\_\_\_

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Amend S.B. 1

On page II-91 of the Health and Human Services Commission bill pattern, add a new rider as follows:

**XX. Hospital Uncompensated Care.** The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall ensure that the reporting of uncompensated care by Texas hospitals is consistent for all hospitals and subjected to a standard set of adjustments that account for payments to hospitals that are intended to reimburse uncompensated care. These adjustments are to be made in such a way that a reliable determination of the actual cost of uncompensated care in Texas is produced.

The commission shall conduct an appropriate number of audits to assure the accurate reporting of uncompensated hospital care costs.

HHSC shall submit a biennial report on uncompensated care costs received by all Texas hospitals to the Governor and Legislative Budget Board no later than December 1, 2022. The report shall detail the impact of patient-specific and lump sum supplemental payment funding as offsets to uncompensated costs, the impact of health care reform efforts on the funding streams that reimburse uncompensated care, and assess the need for those funding streams in future biennia. The report shall also detail compensation received by each hospital's board and executive leadership, specifically listing any compensation package that is worth greater than \$500,000 annually. If needed, this compensation portion of the request may be aggregated by hospital facility or hospital system.