By: Raymond, Meza H.B. No. 941

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 941:

By: Frank C.S.H.B. No. 941

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to the creation of a work group to study uniform quality
- 3 measures under a value-based program for long-term services and
- 4 supports.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 531, Government Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 531.01211 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 531.01211. WORK GROUP ON UNIFORM QUALITY MEASURES
- 9 UNDER VALUE-BASED PROGRAM FOR LONG-TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS. (a)
- 10 The commission shall establish within the advisory committee
- 11 established under Section 531.012 that studies value-based payment
- 12 and quality improvement initiatives a work group to study, develop,
- 13 and recommend uniform quality measures to be implemented under a
- 14 value-based program for long-term services and supports. The work
- 15 group shall:
- 16 (1) develop an underlying methodology for measuring
- 17 quality under the value-based program;
- 18 (2) identify the data sources that should be used in
- 19 the methodology; and
- 20 (3) develop a process for reporting, collecting, and
- 21 validating the data used in the methodology.
- 22 (b) The work group shall engage stakeholders representing
- 23 <u>clients who receive long-term services and supports and providers</u>
- 24 and relevant industries that provide community-based long-term

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- 1 services and supports to assist in developing uniform quality
- 2 measures under Subsection (a).
- 3 (c) To the extent permitted by federal law, data collected
- 4 and the uniform quality measures developed by the work group under
- 5 this section must be accessible to the public.
- 6 (d) Not later than January 10, 2023, the commission, in
- 7 consultation with the work group established under this section and
- 8 with the agreement of the advisory committee in which the work group
- 9 is established, shall submit a report on the findings and
- 10 recommendations of the work group to the governor, the lieutenant
- 11 governor, and the standing committees of the senate and house of
- 12 representatives having primary jurisdiction over Medicaid. The
- 13 report must include:
- 14 (1) the uniform quality measures developed and
- 15 recommended by the work group under Subsection (a), including any
- 16 methodology recommended by the work group for measuring quality;
- 17 and
- 18 (2) the commission's recommendations for implementing
- 19 those quality measures, including a proposed timeline for
- 20 implementation of the measures and a description of any potential
- 21 legislation that would be required for implementation of the
- 22 <u>measures.</u>
- (e) This section expires September 1, 2023.
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.