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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to health care institution reporting of federal money received for the coronavirus disease public health emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle D, Title 2, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Chapter 81A to read as follows:

CHAPTER 81A. CORONAVIRUS DISEASE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY REPORTING

Sec. 81A.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) "Coronavirus disease public health emergency" means the period:

(A) beginning on the date the public health emergency declared by the United States secretary of health and human services under Section 319, Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. Section 247d), on January 31, 2020, with respect to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) took effect; and

(B) ending on the earlier of:

(i) the date the public health emergency described by Paragraph (A) of this subdivision ends; or

(ii) January 1, 2023.

(2) "Health care institution" has the meaning assigned by Section 74.001, Civil Practice and Remedies Code.

Sec. 81A.002. HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION REPORT. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), and subject to Subsection (d), a health care institution that receives federal money for assisting

1 health care institutions during the coronavirus disease public
2 health emergency, including money received under the Coronavirus
3 Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (15 U.S.C. Section 9001 et
4 seq.), the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Pub. L.
5 No. 116-260), and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
6 No. 117-2), shall report the money received to the commission on a
7 monthly basis. A health care institution's initial report to the
8 commission must include all federal money received by the
9 institution during the period beginning January 31, 2020, and
10 ending August 31, 2021.

11 (b) A health care institution is not required to report
12 federal money received as a loan during the coronavirus disease
13 public health emergency from the United States Small Business
14 Administration as part of a paycheck protection program.

15 (c) Each quarter, the commission shall compile the
16 information described by Subsection (a) into a written report
17 provided to:

18 (1) the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of
19 the house of representatives;

20 (2) the Legislative Budget Board; and

21 (3) the standing committees of the legislature with
22 primary jurisdiction over state finance and public health.

23 (d) The commission shall establish procedures for health
24 care institutions to report the information required under
25 Subsection (a). In establishing the procedures, the commission
26 shall to the extent practicable:

27 (1) minimize duplication of reporting by institutions

1 to the commission; and

2 (2) avoid requiring institutions to report
3 information that is duplicative of information that institutions
4 are required to report to the federal government.

5 Sec. 81A.003. DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY LICENSING AUTHORITY.

6 The appropriate licensing authority may take disciplinary action
7 against a health care institution that violates this chapter as if
8 the institution violated an applicable licensing law.

9 Sec. 81A.004. EXPIRATION. This chapter expires September
10 1, 2023.

11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.