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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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                                  AN ACT
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   relating to the repeal of certain provisions related to health and
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   human services.
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          BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
          SECTION 1. (a) Section 38.064,
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                                               Education
                                                            Code,
                                                                    is
    repealed.
               The following provisions of the Health and Safety Code
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   are repealed:
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               (1) Chapter 39;
                    Sections 43.003(a)(3), (4), and (5);
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               (2)
                    Sections 43.004(a), (b), (c), and (f);
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               (3)
                    Section 43.006;
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               (5) Section 43.007;
               (6) Section 43.008;
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               (7) Section 43.009;
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               (8) Section 43.010;
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               (9) Section 43.011;
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               (10) Section 43.012;
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               (11) Section 43.013;
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               (12)
                    Section 43.014;
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                    Section 81.307;
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               (14)
                    Section 92.003;
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               (15) Section 92.010;
               (16) Section 94.004;
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Subchapter B, Chapter 95;
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                (17)
                      Chapter 97;
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                      Section 104.0156;
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                      Section 105.007;
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                      Section 146.0021;
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                      Section 146.025;
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                     Section 161.353;
                     Section 168.010;
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                (27)
                     Section 431.408;
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                      Subchapter O, Chapter 431; and
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                (29)
                      Section 673.004.
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               Chapter 131, Human Resources Code, is repealed.
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          SECTION 2. Section 43.003(a)(2), Health and Safety Code, is
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    amended to read as follows:
                    "Oral health services" means[+
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                (2)
                     [(A) preventive or treatment services affecting
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    the structures of the mouth, including the hard and soft tissues
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   such as teeth, jaws, gums, vestibule, tongue, cheeks, lips, floor
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    and roof of the mouth, and adjacent masticatory structures; and
                     [<del>(B)</del>] oral health education and promotion
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    activities.
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          SECTION 3. Section 43.004(d), Health and Safety Code, is
    amended to read as follows:
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               The department may establish an oral health services
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program that may consist of all or any combination of the following:
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                     [treatment services for eligible individuals,
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               (1)
   including:
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                     [(A) emergency care for relief
   infection, including extractions and basic restorative services to
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   prevent premature loss of teeth;
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                     [(B) periodontal therapy for the prevention and
   treatment of periodontal disease;
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                     [(C) endodontics to maintain aesthetics
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   occlusion;
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                     [(D) orthodontic care only in cases of severely
   handicapping malocclusion; and
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                     [(E) oral surgery and prosthetics in cases
   which health is impaired;
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                \left[\frac{(2)}{(2)}\right] a program of oral disease prevention, including:
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                     (A)
                          the
                                fluoridation of
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   supplies;
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                     (B)
                          fluoride mouth rinse programs in schools; and
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                     (C)
                          the promotion and implementation of sealants
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   programs; [and
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                     [(D) the development of appropriate means for
   prevention of oral disease, including the continued use of
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   recognized methods of primary, secondary, and
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   prevention;
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               (2) [\frac{(3)}{(3)}] oral
                                 health education
                                                       and
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    including:
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                     (A)
                          public health education to promote
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- 1 prevention of oral disease through self-help methods, including the
- 2 initiation and expansion of preschool, school age, and adult
- 3 education programs;
- 4 (B) organized continuing health education
- 5 training programs for health care providers; and
- 6 (C) preventive health education information for
- 7 the public; and
- 8 (3) $\left[\frac{4}{4}\right]$ facilitation of access to oral health
- 9 services, including:
- 10 (A) the improvement of the existing oral health
- 11 services delivery system for the provision of services to
- 12 low-income residents;
- 13 (B) outreach activities to inform the public of
- 14 the type and availability of oral health services to increase the
- 15 accessibility of oral health care for low-income residents; and
- 16 (C) assistance and cooperation in promoting
- 17 better distribution of dentists and other oral health professionals
- 18 throughout the state.
- 19 SECTION 4. Section 101.008, Health and Safety Code, is
- 20 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 101.008. DUTIES OF DEPARTMENT. The department shall:
- 22 (1) provide administrative assistance, services, and
- 23 materials to the council;
- 24 (2) accept, deposit, and disburse funds made available
- 25 to the council at the direction of the executive commissioner;
- 26 (3) accept gifts and grants on behalf of the council
- 27 from any public or private entity; and

- 1 (4) [maintain a population data base of persons with
- 2 Alzheimer's disease and related disorders in this state; and
- 3 $\left[\frac{(5)}{(5)}\right]$ apply for and receive on behalf of the council
- 4 any appropriations, gifts, or other funds from the state or federal
- 5 government or any other public or private entity, subject to
- 6 limitations and conditions prescribed by legislative
- 7 appropriation.
- 8 SECTION 5. Section 146.005, Health and Safety Code, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 Sec. 146.005. FEES. The executive commissioner by rule
- 11 shall set license [and registration fees] and license [and
- 12 registration renewal fees in amounts necessary [for the
- 13 department] to administer this chapter.
- SECTION 6. Section 146.021(c), Health and Safety Code, is
- 15 amended to read as follows:
- 16 (c) If the license [or registration] holder cannot be
- 17 located for a notice required under this section, the department
- 18 shall provide notice by posting a copy of the order on the front
- 19 door of the premises of the license holder [or the premises where
- 20 the registration holder is employed].
- 21 SECTION 7. Section 161.0074(c), Health and Safety Code, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- 23 (c) The report must:
- 24 (1) include the current immunization rates by
- 25 geographic region of the state, where available;
- 26 (2) focus on the geographic regions of the state with
- 27 immunization rates below the state average for preschool children;

- 1 (3) describe the approaches identified to increase
- 2 immunization rates in underserved areas and the estimated cost for
- 3 each;
- 4 (4) identify changes to department procedures needed
- 5 to increase immunization rates;
- 6 (5) identify the services provided under and
- 7 provisions of contracts entered into by the department to increase
- 8 immunization rates in underserved areas;
- 9 (6) identify performance measures used in contracts
- 10 described by Subdivision (5);
- 11 (7) include the number and type of exemptions used in
- 12 the past year;
- 13 (8) include the number of complaints received by the
- 14 department related to the department's failure to comply with
- 15 requests for exclusion of individuals from the registry;
- 16 (9) identify all reported incidents of discrimination
- 17 for requesting exclusion from the registry or for using an
- 18 exemption for a required immunization; and
- 19 (10) [include department recommendations about the
- 20 best way to use, and communicate with, local registries in the
- 21 state; and
- [(11)] include ways to increase provider
- 23 participation in the registry.
- SECTION 8. Section 161.352(a), Health and Safety Code, is
- 25 amended to read as follows:
- 26 (a) Each manufacturer shall file with the department an
- 27 annual report for each cigarette or tobacco product distributed in

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   this state, stating[+
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                [\frac{1}{1}] the identity of each ingredient in the cigarette
    or tobacco product, listed in descending order according to weight,
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    measure, or numerical count, other than:
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               (1) [<del>(A)</del>] tobacco;
               (2) [<del>(B)</del>] water; or
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                (3) (C) a reconstituted tobacco sheet made wholly
    from tobacco[; and
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                [(2) a nicotine yield rating for the cigarette or
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    tobacco product established under Section 161.353].
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          SECTION 9. Sections 431.4031(a) and (b), Health and Safety
    Code, are amended to read as follows:
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               A wholesale distributor that distributes prescription
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          (a)
    drugs that are medical gases or a wholesale distributor that is a
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    manufacturer or a third-party logistics provider on behalf of a
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   manufacturer is exempt from Sections 431.404(a)(5) and (6), (b),
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18 A state agency or a political subdivision of this state

and (c), 431.4045(2), 431.405, and 431.407[, and 431.408[].

- that distributes prescription drugs using federal or state funding 19
- to nonprofit health care facilities or local mental health or 20
- mental retardation authorities for distribution to a pharmacy, 21
- practitioner, or patient is exempt from Sections 431.405(b), 22
- 431.407, [431.408_r] 431.412, and 431.413. 23

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- SECTION 10. On the effective date of this Act: 24
- 25 (1) the following are abolished:
- the children's outreach heart program; 26 (A)
- 27 (B) the oral health improvement services

- 1 program;
- 2 (C) the arthritis control and prevention
- 3 program;
- 4 (D) the health care information technology
- 5 advisory committee;
- 6 (E) the diabetes intervention pilot program;
- 7 (F) the prescription drug donation pilot
- 8 program; and
- 9 (G) the Health and Human Services Office of
- 10 Community Transportation Services;
- 11 (2) any remaining obligations, rights, contracts,
- 12 records, real and personal property, funds, appropriations, and
- 13 money of the children's outreach heart program, the arthritis
- 14 control and prevention program, the oral health improvement
- 15 services program, the diabetes intervention pilot program, and the
- 16 prescription drug donation pilot program are transferred to the
- 17 Department of State Health Services;
- 18 (3) any remaining obligations, rights, contracts,
- 19 records, real and personal property, funds, appropriations, and
- 20 money of the health care information technology advisory committee
- 21 are transferred to the statewide health coordinating council under
- 22 Subchapter B, Chapter 104, Health and Safety Code; and
- 23 (4) any remaining obligations, rights, contracts,
- 24 records, real and personal property, funds, appropriations, and
- 25 money of the Health and Human Services Office of Community
- 26 Transportation Services are transferred to the Health and Human
- 27 Services Commission.

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