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S.B. No. 54

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to consent to services under certain programs designed to serve pregnant women and families.

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

SECTION 1. Section 531.982, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) A minor who is otherwise eligible for a home visiting program may consent to enrollment in and to receive services from a home visiting program. For purposes of this subsection, "minor" means an individual who is younger than 18 years of age.

SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is necessary for implementation of that provision, the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the waiver or authorization is granted.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.