

1-1 By: Leo Wilson, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Middleton) H.B. No. 721
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 2025;
1-3 May 9, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &
1-4 Human Services; May 23, 2025, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Kolkhorst	X			
1-9	Perry	X			
1-10	Blanco	X			
1-11	Cook	X			
1-12	Hall	X			
1-13	Hancock	X			
1-14	Hughes			X	
1-15	Miles			X	
1-16	Sparks	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the applicability of certain laws requiring health care
1-20 cost disclosures by health benefit plan issuers and administrators.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Sections 1662.003(b) and (c), Insurance Code,
1-23 are amended to read as follows:

1-24 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, this chapter applies to:

1-25 (1) a small employer health benefit plan subject to
1-26 Chapter 1501, including coverage provided through a health group
1-27 cooperative under Subchapter B of that chapter;

1-28 (2) a standard health benefit plan issued under
1-29 Chapter 1507;

1-30 (3) a basic coverage plan under Chapter 1551;

1-31 (4) a basic plan under Chapter 1575;

1-32 (5) a primary care coverage plan under Chapter 1579;

1-33 (6) a plan providing basic coverage under Chapter
1-34 1601; and

1-35 (7) ~~[a regional or local health care program operated~~
1-36 ~~under Section 75.104, Health and Safety Code, and~~

1-37 ~~[(8)]~~ a self-funded health benefit plan sponsored by a
1-38 professional employer organization under Chapter 91, Labor Code.

1-39 (c) This chapter does not apply to:

1-40 (1) a health reimbursement arrangement or other
1-41 account-based health benefit plan;

1-42 (2) ~~[or]~~ a workers' compensation insurance policy; or

1-43 (3) a regional or local health care program operated
1-44 under Section 75.104, Health and Safety Code.

1-45 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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