By: Hull H.B. No. 2583

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a group health benefit plan policy or contract holder's
- 3 obligation to pay premiums on behalf of an individual after the
- 4 individual's eligibility for group coverage terminates.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 843.210, Insurance Code, is amended by
- 7 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- 8 (e) If the group contract holder notifies the health
- 9 maintenance organization of the termination of an enrollee's
- 10 eligibility for coverage later than the end of the month in which
- 11 the enrollee's eligibility for the group coverage terminated, the
- 12 <u>health maintenance organization may waive the contract holder's</u>
- 13 liability for premiums on the enrollee for any subsequent months,
- 14 provided that no covered services were provided to the enrollee
- 15 after the end of the month in which the enrollee's eligibility
- 16 terminated.
- 17 SECTION 2. Section 1301.0061, Insurance Code, is amended by
- 18 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- (e) If the group policyholder notifies the insurer of the
- 20 termination of an individual's eligibility for coverage later than
- 21 the end of the month in which the individual's eligibility for the
- 22 group coverage terminated, the insurer may waive the policyholder's
- 23 liability for premiums on the individual for any subsequent months,
- 24 provided that no covered services were provided to the individual

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- 1 after the end of the month in which the individual's eligibility
- 2 <u>terminated.</u>
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 7 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.