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H.B. No. 5155

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the continuation of the maternal opioid misuse model of care for certain Medicaid recipients.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 547, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 547.0007 to read as follows:

Sec. 547.0007. MATERNAL OPIOID MISUSE MODEL OF CARE. (a) In this section, "maternal opioid misuse model of care" means the model of care implemented using federal money applied for and received under former Section 531.0738 for the purpose of improving the quality and accessibility of care for:

(1) pregnant women with opioid use disorder enrolled in Medicaid during the prenatal and postpartum periods; and

(2) their children after birth.

(b) To the extent money is available to the commission for that purpose, the commission shall continue implementing the maternal opioid misuse model of care.

(c) Money in the opioid abatement account established under Section 403.505 may be appropriated to the commission for the purpose of carrying out this section.

(d) This section expires September 1, 2029.

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,

1 the agency affected by the provision shall request the waiver or  
2 authorization and may delay implementing that provision until the  
3 waiver or authorization is granted.

4       SECTION 3. The Health and Human Services Commission is  
5 required to implement Section 547.0007, Government Code, as added  
6 by this Act, only if the legislature appropriates money  
7 specifically for that purpose. If the legislature does not  
8 appropriate money specifically for that purpose, the commission  
9 may, but is not required to, implement that section using other  
10 money available to the commission for that purpose.

11       SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.