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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

S.B. No. 1046

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the composition of the Health and Human Services
- 3 Commission Executive Council.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Sections 523.0103(a) and (c), Government Code,
- 6 as effective April 1, 2025, are amended to read as follows:
- 7 (a) The executive council is composed of:
- 8 (1) the executive commissioner;
- 9 (2) the director of each division the executive
- 10 commissioner established under former Section 531.008(c) before
- 11 the expiration of that subsection on September 1, 2023;
- 12 (3) the commissioner of a health and human services
- 13 agency;
- 14 (4) the commissioner of the Department of Family and
- 15 Protective Services, regardless of whether that agency continues as
- 16 a state agency separate from the commission; [and]
- 17 (5) at least one parent or guardian of a child with a
- 18 disability who is a Medicaid recipient, including a recipient of
- 19 services under a Medicaid waiver program, appointed by the
- 20 <u>executive commissioner; and</u>
- 21 (6) other individuals the executive commissioner
- 22 appoints as the executive commissioner determines necessary.
- 23 (c) An executive council member appointed under Subsection
- 24 (a)(5) or (6) serves at the executive commissioner's pleasure.

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- 1 SECTION 2. Section 523.0107, Government Code, as effective
- 2 April 1, 2025, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 Sec. 523.0107. COMPENSATION; REIMBURSEMENT FOR
- 4 EXPENSES. An executive council member appointed under Section
- 5 523.0103(a)(5) or (6) may not receive compensation for service as a
- 6 council member but is entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses
- 7 the member incurs while conducting council business as provided by
- 8 the General Appropriations Act.
- 9 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date
- 10 of this Act, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human
- 11 Services Commission shall appoint at least one parent or guardian
- 12 of a child with a disability to the commission's executive council
- 13 as required by Section 523.0103(a)(5), Government Code, as amended
- 14 by this Act.
- 15 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.