



FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 23 (house committee printing) by adding
2 the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and
3 renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION _____. REIMBURSEMENT FOR INDIGENT HEALTH CARE
5 SERVICES. (a) Subchapter A, Chapter 61, Health and Safety
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 61.012 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 61.012. REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES. (a) In this
8 section, "sponsored alien" means a person who has been lawfully
9 admitted to the United States for permanent residence under the
10 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. Section 1101 et seq.)
11 and who, as a condition of admission, was sponsored by a person
12 who executed an affidavit of support on behalf of the person.

13 (b) A public hospital or hospital district that provides
14 health care services to a sponsored alien under this chapter may
15 recover from a person who executed an affidavit of support on
16 behalf of the alien the costs of the health care services
17 provided to the alien.

18 (c) A public hospital or hospital district described by
19 Subsection (b) must notify a sponsored alien and a person who
20 executed an affidavit of support on behalf of the alien, at the
21 time the alien applies for health care services, that a person
22 who executed an affidavit of support on behalf of a sponsored
23 alien is liable for the cost of health care services provided to
24 the alien.

25 (b) Section 61.012, Health and Safety Code, as added by
26 this section, applies only to health care services provided by a
27 public hospital or hospital district on or after the effective
28 date of this Act.