H.B. No. 1514 1-1 By: Sheffield (Senate Sponsor - Creighton) (In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2015; 1-2 May 12, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce; May 19, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 3; May 19, 2015, sent to printer.) 1-3 1-4 1-5

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to health insurance identification cards issued by qualified health plan issuers.

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

SECTION 1. Title 8, Insurance Code, is amended by adding Subtitle L to read as follows:

SUBTITLE L. QUALIFIED HEALTH PLAN MANDATORY DISCLOSURES CHAPTER 1693. QUALIFIED HEALTH PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Sec. 1693.001. DEFINITIONS. Except as provided by Section 1693.003, in this chapter, "enrollee," "exchange," "qualified health plan," and "qualified health plan issuer" have the meanings assigned by 45 C.F.R. Section 155.20 as that section existed on January 1, 2015.

Sec. 1693.002. REQUIRED INFORMATION. An identification card or other similar document issued by a qualified health plan issuer to an enrollee of a qualified health plan purchased through an exchange must, in addition to any requirement under other law, including Sections 843.209, 1301.162, and 1369.153, display on the card or document in a location of the issuer's choice the acronym "QHP."

Sec. 1693.003. COMMISSIONER DETERMINATIONS REGARDING FEDERAL REGULATIONS. (a) The commissioner shall monitor 45 C.F.R. REGARDING Section 155.20 for amendments to the definitions listed in Section 1693.001 and determine if it is in the best interest of the state to adopt an amended definition for purposes of this chapter. If the commissioner determines that it is in the best interest of the state to adopt the amended definition, the commissioner by rule shall adopt the amended definition.

(b) In making the determination about an amendment, the commissioner shall consider, in addition to other factors affecting the public interest, the beneficial and adverse effects the amendment may have on:

(1) individuals who are receiving medical care and health care services in this state; and

(2) health care providers and physicians.
Sec. 1693.004. REPORT TO LEGISLATURE. The commissioner prepare a report of a determination made under Section 1693.003, including an explanation of the reasons for the determination, and file the report with the presiding officer of each house of the legislature not later than the 30th day after the

date the determination is made.

Sec. 1693.005. RULES. The commissioner may adopt rules as necessary to administer and enforce this chapter.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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