

1-1 By: Parker S.B. No. 1784  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 28, 2025; March 13, 2025,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human  
1-4 Services; April 14, 2025, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 14, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Kolkhorst	X			
1-9	Perry	X			
1-10	Blanco	X			
1-11	Cook	X			
1-12	Hall	X			
1-13	Hancock	X			
1-14	Hughes	X			
1-15	Miles	X			
1-16	Sparks	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to notice provided by a health care provider before  
1-20 initiating debt collection against a patient.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Chapter 185, Health and Safety Code, is amended  
1-23 by adding Section 185.004 to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 185.004. REQUIRED NOTICE OF DEBT COLLECTION. A health  
1-25 care provider that intends to pursue debt collection for a health  
1-26 care service or supply provided to a patient shall provide written  
1-27 notice to the patient at least 60 days before the date the provider  
1-28 initiates debt collection.

1-29 SECTION 2. Section 185.004, Health and Safety Code, as  
1-30 added by this Act, applies only to debt collection initiated on or  
1-31 after the effective date of this Act.

1-32 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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