An Act relating to changing the name of the South Texas Health Care System to the Rio Grande State Center.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 11.004(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The department is composed of the board, the commissioner, an administrative staff, the Texas Center for Infectious Disease, the Rio Grande State Center [South Texas Health Care System], and other officers and employees necessary to perform efficiently its powers and duties.

SECTION 2. Section 13.003, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 13.003. SERVICES AT RIO GRANDE STATE CENTER [SOUTH TEXAS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM]. (a) The primary purpose of the Rio Grande State Center [South Texas Health Care System] is to provide inpatient and outpatient services, either directly or by contract with one or more public or private health care providers or entities, to the residents of the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

(b) The board may establish at the Rio Grande State Center [South Texas Health Care System]:

(1) cancer screening;
(2) diagnostic services;
(3) educational services;
(4) obstetrical services;
(5) gynecological services;
(6) other inpatient health care services; and
(7) outpatient health care services, including diagnostic, treatment, disease management, and supportive care services.

SECTION 3. Section 13.033(5), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(5) "State chest hospital" means the Texas Center for Infectious Disease and the Rio Grande State Center [South Texas Health Care System].

SECTION 4. (a) A reference in law to the South Texas Health Care System means the Rio Grande State Center.

(b) An appropriation to the Department of State Health Services for the use and benefit of the South Texas Health Care System is available for the use and benefit of the Rio Grande State Center.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Passed by the House on April 30, 2009: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 26, 2009: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 2009.