BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.H.B. 1338
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Committee Report (Substituted)

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Last session, legislation was enacted creating the Harris County Hospital District health care provider participation program. Like most of these programs, the district's program was enacted with a two-year expiration date. Legislation is needed to continue the program and make a few minor changes to help the program run effectively. H.B. 1338 seeks to continue the program and make these changes by revising the program's governing provisions.

(Original Author's/Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

C.S.H.B. 1338 amends current law relating to the continuation and operations of a health care provider participation program by the Harris County Hospital District.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 299.004, Health and Safety Code, as follows:

Sec. 299.004. EXPIRATION. (a) Provides that subject to Section 299.153(d) (relating to the circumstances under which the Harris County Hospital District (district) is authorized to assess and collect a mandatory payment), the authority of the district to administer and operate a program under Chapter 299 expires December 31, 2023, rather than December 31, 2021.

(b) Provides that Chapter 299 expires December 31, 2023, rather than December 31, 2021.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 299.151(c), Health and Safety Code, as follows:

(c) Increases the maximum aggregate amount of the mandatory payments required of all paying providers in the district from four to six percent of the aggregate net patient revenue from hospital services provided by all paying providers in the district.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2021.