

BILL ANALYSIS

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Committee Report (Substituted)

DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, the United States Department of Health and Human Services has not created a universal provider numbering system. C.S.S.B. 1356 changes the effective date of past state legislation in anticipation of federal action to create such a numbering system.

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 Chapter 1266(2), Acts of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999, to require the director of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas (DPS) to adopt rules required by Section 481.003(b), Health and Safety Code, not earlier than the 180th day after, and not later than the first anniversary of, the date on which compliance with a rule adopted by the United States Department of Health and Human Services creating a universal provider numbering system takes effect, rather than January 1, 2003. Provides that a rule adopted by the director of DPS under this Act takes effect on adoption, rather than on January 1, 2003. Deletes existing language relating to adopting rules required by Section 481.003, Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

Differs from original in SECTION 1 by adding the phrase "compliance with" to clarify that the anniversary is the anniversary on which compliance with a rule adopted by the United States Department of Health and Human Services creating a universal provider numbering system takes effect.