

BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.H.B. 812
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

C.S.H.B. 812 amends current law relating to the amount of the health care services fee paid by certain inmates.

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 501.063(a)(1), Government Code, to require an inmate confined in a facility operated by or under contract with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), other than a halfway house, who initiates a visit to a health care provider to pay a health care services fee to TDCJ in the amount of \$15 per visit, except that an inmate is prohibited from being required to pay more than \$100 during a state fiscal year, rather than a fee in the amount of \$100.

SECTION 2. Repealer: Section 501.063(a)(2) (relating to providing that the fee imposed under Subdivision (1) covers all visits to a health care provider that the inmate initiates until the first anniversary of the imposition of the fee), Government Code.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.