

HCS HB 98 -- TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

This bill authorizes each area agency on aging to establish a volunteer program for the transportation of elderly individuals to scheduled, health care-related appointments. Participating volunteers must use their own vehicles and may be reimbursed by the agency at the same rate as state employees for any mileage allowance or reimbursement due. Subject to appropriation, each area agency may request funding of up to \$1,000 annually from the Department of Health and Senior Services to assist with the administrative costs of the program.

The provisions of the bill will expire six years from the effective date.