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State issues new 'rules' for HMOs, managed-care

New rules allowing Texans to make more informed decisions about their health-care options were proposed last week by Gov. George W. Bush and Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer.

"These are fair rules which will ensure quality health care at reasonable costs for Texans," Bomer said.

Under the rules, health maintenance organizations and other managed-care programs would have to disclose to consumers information comparing costs and services offered in their plans.

The rules would:

- Allow patients to continue seeing the same doctor during the final months of pregnancy or other ongoing medical conditions, even if that doctor is terminated from the insurance plan.
- Guarantee patients in a health-care plan the right to choose their own



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 By Lyndell Williams
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primary care provider from the list of doctors who participate in the plan.

- Require insurance companies to pay for emergency medical services at least until a patient's condition is stabilized.
- Doctors and dentists would be protected from unfair dismissal from a health care group, under the rules.
- "The rules" say insurance companies or plans which terminate doctors, dentists or other providers must give written reasons for doing so. They require each HMO to have an advisory

review panel to scrutinize appeals of termination decisions," Bomer said.

"We are going through a time of tremendous change in the way health care is paid for and the way it is delivered," Bush said. "The role of government is to ensure that patients and health care professionals are treated fairly and consistently to ensure free and fair competition for health care services and prices."

Disabled Care Threatened
 Meanwhile, the Texas Department of Human Services is hunting for ways to compensate for the expected loss of \$148 million from the federal government which funds programs for elderly and disabled Texans.

In addition to the loss of federal funding, the state Legislature secured an additional \$55 million for the DHS budget to cover fiscal 1995-96, but even with the extra money, the agency is still facing a \$63 million shortfall.

The board of the DHS is to consider proposals to:

- Freeze enrollment in affected programs for 18 months;
- Freeze enrollment in programs that help clients in their homes with bathing, cooking, dressing and reduce by 10% the hours aids are available for such duties; and
- Reduce by 12% all non-family community service programs.

The danger of losing such home-care programs is that it will force many clients into nursing homes where care is even more expensive.

Firearm Classes Begin
 After checking their guns at the door, 160 persons gathered at the Department of Public Safety Training

Academy last week to learn how to teach Texans how to properly carry concealed handguns.

The would-be firearms instructors under the new concealed-gun law, represent every region of the state.

All are hoping to qualify as an instructor when Texans begin applying for concealed-handgun permits on Sept. 1. Anyone teaching the state's concealed-gun course must be certified by the DPS.

According to a report in the *Houston Chronicle*, the DPS estimates about 180,000 Texas residents (1% of the state's population) will seek permits.

Applicants pay a \$100 non-refundable course fee and are required to attend the course, which varies in length depending on experience.

Democrats Now On-Line
 The Texas Democratic party has gone on-line with its won computer network, party officials announced last week.

Party Chairman Bob Stagle said "Frontrunner: Texas Democrats On-Line" will offer such services as e-mail, access to the Democratic Party's master voter file, party news and election data archives. Democratic candidates will be able to set up their own areas within the network.

"Contrary to the myth that Democrats in Texas are an endangered species and out of step with the times," the state Democratic organization is the only party offering on-line access to grassroots organizers and officeholders, Stagle said.

Let's Look Back... 24 & 48 YEARS AGO

Nov. 19, 1970
 Rosalie Janish, daughter of Mrs. Tillie Janish of Nada, has been selected as the D.A.R. Good Citizen of Rice High School... Participants in the Texas Industrial Planning Seminar held in Austin by the Texas Industrial Commission in Austin on Friday were L.B. Smith, J.T. Pilkington, Travis Weggenhoff, Pat Williams, Dexter Anderson, Bob Nester, Lloyd Spalinger, Frank Sherrer, Joe S. Reed, Don Spalinger, L.W. Stiles Jr., T.J. Smith and Fred Frnka...

Nov. 19, 1970
 Mrs. Mary Jane Wilkinson retired from Southern Pacific Railroad after 27 years of service... Mr. & Mrs. Joe Salinas are pleased to announce the birth of a baby daughter born on Friday, Nov. 13, at 5 p.m. The young lady weighed five pounds, 13 ounces at birth and her name is Mari-sol Delia. Welcoming her home are brothers, Rueben, 16, James, 13, and a sister, Veronica, age nine. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Frank Salinas and Mrs. Natalie Martinez, all of this city...

Nov. 19, 1970
 Mrs. Virginia Clipson, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. R.L. Clipson Sr., is in New York this week attending sessions of the American Speech and Hearing Association Convention...

Nov. 19, 1970
 Miss Vera Sunderman, staff nurse at Hermann Hospital in Houston and former U.S. Navy nurse, writes her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Sunderman, that she saw duty in Texas City during the disaster last week... Contractor R.H. Reese has a large crew of workers busy laying the foundation for the rice dryer in the Santa Fe "Way" on Lakeside Drive...

Nov. 19, 1970
 The Estlinbaum Bros. recently laid the foundation for the new home and shop for Gless Equipment Company on East Main Street. Contractor Justin Smith's crews are progressing rapidly on the interior renovation of the Phillip's Cafe, which is giving promise of being most inviting with its all-modern improvements...

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 The attractive brick home of Jim Clipson, located on Hwy. 200 about a mile from Eagle Lake, will be a beauty site of the area... The frame home of Mr. & Mrs. Jack Grieves, also located on Hwy. 200, near the Laughlin Hospital is progressing rapidly... The concrete home of Mr. & Mrs. Chester Glaister, on Hwy. 90-A west of Eagle Lake, is nearing completion... Another concrete tile home for Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Miller, near the Mrs. George Heck home, is also progressing...

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 The foundation has been laid for a frame club house for the Lakeview Gold Club... The building of the American Legion sponsored swimming pool and bath house is expected to get under way shortly... This is the 44th birthday edition of *The Headlight*. The paper was established by the late editor Bruce W. McCarty in 1903...

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Gramm plans own welfare reform
 U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm says he will introduce his own, conservative plan to reform the nation's welfare system.

Gramm's bill requires recipients to work for their benefits, prohibits mothers on welfare who have additional children from receiving additional assistance, and bars new immigrants from collecting welfare.

"Real welfare reform should deal with all welfare programs," Gramm said. "It should contain a genuine work requirement that asks able-bodied men and women to get out of the wagon and help the rest of us pull. It should stop giving people more money to have more and more children on welfare and it should end the practice of people coming to America to get welfare."

"Anything less is welfare fraud, not welfare reform," he said. Gramm has been critical of pending proposals to rewrite welfare rules and programs. One bill, drafted by Senate Finance Committee, does not send enough welfare programs back to the states as block grants, fails to address rising rates of out-of-wedlock births and needs tougher work requirements for welfare recipients, the senator said.

"I can't support a welfare bill that deals with only 7% of the problem, that doesn't deal with the explosion of illegitimacy, that has weak work requirements, and continues to invite people to come to America to go on welfare."

"If the Finance Committee does not address the underlying root cause of welfare dependency, illegitimacy, any attempt at welfare reform will fail," Gramm said.

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Prasek, Korenek exchange vows in double ring ceremony

Michelle Renee Prasek and Duane Gerard Korenek were united in marriage at 2 p.m., July 8, 1995, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada.

Father Greg Korenek performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Betty Jo Prasek of El Campo.

Parents of the groom are Edward and Bernita Korenek of Nada.

The main altar held brass urn arrangements of white calla lilies, Ti leaves, springer fern and bear grass. Arched candelabras with fresh foliage decorated the side altar.

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Serving as ushers were Doug Prasek, Lynn Staff, Rob Pavlu, Mark Drapala and Todd Korenek.

Candlelighters were Kyle Lesak and Justin Howard. Maxine Fregia, the bride's aunt, and Brian Korenek, the groom's brother, served as the couple's witnesses.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the El Campo Civic Center at 3:30 p.m.

Special guests for the occasion were the bride's grandfather, Rudy Stradel Sr., and Frances Johnson. Houseparty members included Phyllis and Lauren Lesak, Lorrie Korenek, Gwen and Brandy Kocian, Cheryl Howard, Carrie Veselka, Ra-

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Happy anniversary wishes are in order to Carol Cardenas (also known as the "Polka Queen") who, as of July 26, has been employed at *The Headlight* for one full year. The day she walked in the door, she was only going to put in a birthday ad, not find a job; the Lord works in mysterious ways.

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FFA boys Leroy Lundquist and Alan Lundquist and Dan Staff became eligible for the state poultry judging contest to be held at A&M sometime in the near future after they took first place in the Area III contest Saturday...

St. Roch's Catholic Church in Mentz was the scene of a pretty wedding on Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock, when Miss Mary Augusta Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jones Jr. of Bernardo, became the bride of Sidney Frey, son of Mr. & Mrs. Peter Frey also of Bernardo. Rev. W.A. Dieder performed the ceremony.

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