

HUMAN RESOURCES CODE
CHAPTER 116. DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY
LISTING

Sec. 116.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "commission" means the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

Added by Acts 1997, 75th Leg., ch. 1355, Sec. 1, eff. June 20, 1997.

Sec. 116.002. DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY LISTING. (a) The commission shall establish a listing to facilitate the reuse of durable medical equipment and assistive technology.

(b) The commission shall maintain a toll-free telephone number to list items of durable medical equipment and assistive technology that are available for donation. The commission shall refer individuals with items of durable medical equipment and assistive technology that are available for donation to an organization licensed under Chapter 432, Health and Safety Code, to distribute salvaged merchandise.

(c) The commission shall design a sticker that contains an informative statement about the durable medical equipment and assistive technology listing and the toll-free telephone number for the listing and that may be affixed to durable medical equipment or assistive technology.

(d) The commission shall provide the stickers described by Subsection (c) to each retailer of durable medical equipment or assistive technology in the state.

(e) Before an item of durable medical equipment or assistive technology is sold to a consumer other than a hospital or other health care provider, the retailer shall affix the sticker described by Subsection (c) to the item.

(f) Chapter 2175, Government Code, does not apply to any equipment listed in the durable medical equipment and assistive technology listing under this chapter.

(g) Subsection (e) does not apply to orthotic or prosthetic devices. A retailer of orthotic or prosthetic devices shall prominently display in the retailer's place of business the information to be included on the sticker described by Subsection (c).

Added by Acts 1997, 75th Leg., ch. 1355, Sec. 1, eff. June 20, 1997.

Sec. 116.003. LOCAL ORGANIZATION. (a) The commission shall encourage the establishment of local organizations to facilitate the reuse of durable medical equipment and assistive technology.

(b) The commission shall provide information to local organizations about the license required under Chapter 432, Health and Safety Code, to distribute salvaged merchandise.

Added by Acts 1997, 75th Leg., ch. 1355, Sec. 1, eff. June 20, 1997.

Sec. 116.004. AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT. The commission may contract with local organizations and other state agencies to facilitate the reuse of durable medical equipment and assistive technology.

Added by Acts 1997, 75th Leg., ch. 1355, Sec. 1, eff. June 20, 1997.

Sec. 116.005. DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY OWNED BY THE STATE. The commission shall ensure that any durable medical equipment or assistive technology owned by the state listed with the durable medical equipment and assistive technology listing that is donated be donated to a nonprofit organization licensed under Chapter 432, Health and Safety Code, for distribution to indigent individuals.

Added by Acts 1997, 75th Leg., ch. 1355, Sec. 1, eff. June 20, 1997.

Sec. 116.006. LISTING AVAILABILITY ON THE INTERNET. The commission shall make the durable medical equipment and assistive technology listing available to the public through the Internet.

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Sec. 116.007. RULES. The commission may adopt rules to administer this chapter.

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