

The Texas Prisoner's \$100<sup>00</sup> Co-Payment Policy for Medical ~~Care~~ Should Be Repealed Immediately

In 2011, the Texas Legislature ~~approved~~ <sup>adopted</sup> an insidious scheme designed to place the burden on the backs of our families and friends in order to help generate revenues to keep the state's bloated prison system afloat.

Because Texas prisoners are not paid for work done, this co-pay policy is effectively a "second taxation" (aka "double taxation") on our loved ones. No charge should be assessed for any health care services provided to someone confined in the TDCJ, or any prison. That

is the responsibility of the state government. This co-pay policy has and shall continue to force many prisoners to skip visiting the medical department in order to protect the few funds family and friends send them.

This policy should be repealed immediately. More about this co-pay policy can be found at:  
[www.gritsforbreakfast.blogspot.com](http://www.gritsforbreakfast.blogspot.com)