

1 AN ACT

2 relating to a study on the use of alternative therapies for treating  
3 post-traumatic stress disorder.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. (a) In this Act, "commission" means the Health  
6 and Human Services Commission.

7 (b) The commission, in collaboration with Baylor College of  
8 Medicine and in partnership with a military veterans hospital or a  
9 medical center that provides medical care to veterans, shall  
10 conduct a study on the efficacy of using alternative therapies,  
11 including the use of 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA),  
12 psilocybin, and ketamine, in the treatment of veterans who suffer  
13 from post-traumatic stress disorder.

14 (c) In conducting the study described by Subsection (b) of  
15 this section, the commission in collaboration with the Baylor  
16 College of Medicine shall:

17 (1) perform a clinical trial on the therapeutic  
18 efficacy of using psilocybin in the treatment of  
19 treatment-resistant post-traumatic stress disorder in veterans;  
20 and

21 (2) review current literature regarding:

22 (A) the safety and efficacy of  
23 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), psilocybin, and  
24 ketamine in the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder; and

1 (B) the access veterans have to  
2 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), psilocybin, and  
3 ketamine for treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder in the  
4 United States.

5 (d) The commission shall prepare and submit to the governor,  
6 the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of  
7 representatives, and each member of the legislature:

8 (1) quarterly reports on the progress of the study  
9 conducted under this section; and

10 (2) not later than December 1, 2024, a written report  
11 containing the results of the study conducted under this section  
12 and any recommendations for legislative or other action.

13 (e) The commission shall ensure any protected health  
14 information collected during a clinical trial conducted under  
15 Subsection (c) of this section and reported under Subsection (d) of  
16 this section does not personally identify an individual.

17 (f) This Act expires September 1, 2025.

18 SECTION 2. The Agency is required to implement this Act only  
19 if the legislature appropriates money specifically for that  
20 purpose. If the legislature does not appropriate money  
21 specifically for that purpose, the commission may, but is not  
22 required to, implement this Act using other appropriations  
23 available for the purpose.

24 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
25 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
26 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
27 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

H.B. No. 1802

1 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1802 was passed by the House on May 6, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 12, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1802 on May 28, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 9, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1802 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 5.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor