

1-1 By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 454
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 26, 2021; March 9, 2021, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human Services;
 1-4 April 7, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 7, 2021,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 454 By: Hall

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to mental health services development plans as updated by
 1-22 the Health and Human Services Commission and local mental health
 1-23 authority groups.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 531, Government Code, is
 1-26 amended by adding Section 531.0222 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 531.0222. LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY GROUP REGIONAL
 1-28 PLANNING. (a) In this section, "local mental health authority
 1-29 group" means a group of local mental health authorities established
 1-30 by the commission under Chapter 963 (S.B. 633), Acts of the 86th
 1-31 Legislature, Regular Session, 2019.

1-32 (b) The commission shall require each local mental health
 1-33 authority group to meet at least quarterly to collaborate on
 1-34 planning and implementing regional strategies to reduce:

1-35 (1) costs to local governments of providing services
 1-36 to persons experiencing a mental health crisis;

1-37 (2) transportation to mental health facilities of
 1-38 persons served by an authority that is a member of the group;

1-39 (3) incarceration of persons with mental illness in
 1-40 county jails that are located in an area served by an authority that
 1-41 is a member of the group; and

1-42 (4) visits by persons with mental illness at hospital
 1-43 emergency rooms located in an area served by an authority that is a
 1-44 member of the group.

1-45 (c) The commission shall use federal funds in accordance
 1-46 with state and federal guidelines to implement this section.

1-47 (d) The commission, in coordination with each local mental
 1-48 health authority group, shall annually update the mental health
 1-49 services development plan that was initially developed by the
 1-50 commission and each local mental health authority group under
 1-51 Chapter 963 (S.B. 633), Acts of the 86th Legislature, Regular
 1-52 Session, 2019. The commission and each group's updated plan must
 1-53 include a description of:

1-54 (1) actions taken by the group to implement regional
 1-55 strategies in the plan; and

1-56 (2) new regional strategies identified by the group to
 1-57 reduce the circumstances described by Subsection (b), including the
 1-58 estimated number of outpatient and inpatient beds necessary to meet
 1-59 the goals of each group's regional strategy.

1-60 (e) Not later than December 1 of each year, the commission

2-1 shall produce and publish on its Internet website a report
2-2 containing the most recent version of each mental health services
2-3 development plan developed by the commission and a local mental
2-4 health authority group.

2-5 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding Section 531.0222, Government
2-6 Code, as added by this Act, a local mental health authority group
2-7 and the Health and Human Services Commission are not required to
2-8 produce or publish a report required by that section before
2-9 December 1, 2022.

2-10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-14 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
2-15 legislative session.

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