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H.B. No. 3396

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to requiring the Health and Human Services Commission to
3 establish a plan to bring certain funded forensic state hospital
4 beds online.

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

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

8 (b) The commission shall develop and implement a plan to
9 ensure that each forensic state hospital bed that is funded to
10 provide competency restoration services is brought online and
11 providing those services not later than August 31, 2024.

12 (c) Not later than January 1, 2024, the commission shall
13 submit to each standing committee of the legislature with
14 jurisdiction over state hospitals a report on the plan established
15 by the commission under Subsection (b) of this section.

16 SECTION 2. This Act expires December 1, 2024.

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.