

1-1 By: Eckhardt, et al. S.B. No. 2468  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2023; March 23, 2023, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human Services;  
 1-4 April 18, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 18, 2023,  
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
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1-14	X			
1-15	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2468 By: LaMantia

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

1-21 relating to a study regarding available beds at inpatient mental  
 1-22 health facilities providing acute psychiatric treatment.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. (a) In this section, "commission" means the  
 1-25 Health and Human Services Commission.

1-26 (b) The commission shall conduct a study regarding the  
 1-27 availability of beds at inpatient mental health facilities in this  
 1-28 state that provide acute inpatient psychiatric treatment. The  
 1-29 study must evaluate:

1-30 (1) the current number of psychiatric beds available  
 1-31 at inpatient mental health facilities in this state that provide  
 1-32 inpatient psychiatric treatment to individuals experiencing an  
 1-33 acute mental health crisis, including a breakdown of beds available  
 1-34 for patients:

1-35 (A) committed to a facility for competency  
 1-36 restoration services under Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure;

1-37 (B) civilly committed to a facility under Chapter  
 1-38 841, Health and Safety Code;

1-39 (C) committed to a facility after having been  
 1-40 found not guilty by reason of insanity under Chapter 46C, Code of  
 1-41 Criminal Procedure;

1-42 (D) voluntarily admitted to a facility;

1-43 (E) 18 years of age or older;

1-44 (F) younger than 18 years of age; and

1-45 (G) receiving long-term mental health treatment  
 1-46 in a facility;

1-47 (2) the current number of patients admitted to an  
 1-48 inpatient mental health facility in this state that provides  
 1-49 inpatient psychiatric treatment to individuals experiencing an  
 1-50 acute mental health crisis, including a breakdown of:

1-51 (A) the number of patients committed to a  
 1-52 facility for competency restoration services under Chapter 46B,  
 1-53 Code of Criminal Procedure, including the number of individuals  
 1-54 committed under an initial order of commitment or an order  
 1-55 extending the initial restoration period;

1-56 (B) the number of patients civilly committed to a  
 1-57 facility under Chapter 841, Health and Safety Code;

1-58 (C) the number of patients committed to a  
 1-59 facility after having been found not guilty by reason of insanity  
 1-60 under Chapter 46C, Code of Criminal Procedure;

2-1 (D) the number of patients voluntarily admitted  
 2-2 to a facility;  
 2-3 (E) the number of patients 18 years of age or  
 2-4 older;  
 2-5 (F) the number of patients younger than 18 years  
 2-6 of age;  
 2-7 (G) the percentage of patients in this state who  
 2-8 will likely require long-term mental health treatment in a  
 2-9 facility; and

2-10 (H) the number of patients who have been  
 2-11 diagnosed with an intellectual or developmental disability;

2-12 (3) the projected need over the next several years for  
 2-13 additional psychiatric beds at inpatient mental health facilities  
 2-14 that provide inpatient psychiatric treatment to individuals  
 2-15 experiencing an acute mental health crisis, including the projected  
 2-16 percentage of incoming patients who will likely require long-term  
 2-17 mental health treatment in a facility; and

2-18 (4) current and anticipated resources, including  
 2-19 workforce needs, necessary to meet the demands described by  
 2-20 Subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of this subsection.

2-21 (c) In designing and conducting the study, the commission  
 2-22 may collaborate with institutions of higher education in this state  
 2-23 that award medical degrees.

2-24 (d) Not later than September 1, 2024, the commission shall  
 2-25 prepare and submit to the legislature a written report containing  
 2-26 the results of the study and any recommendations for legislative or  
 2-27 other action.

2-28 SECTION 2. This Act expires September 1, 2025.

2-29 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 2-30 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 2-31 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 2-32 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 2-33 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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