

AN ACT

relating to the construction, expansion, and operation of certain inpatient mental health facilities and the designation of residential treatment facilities for certain juveniles.

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

SECTION 1. Section 551.007, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) If the legislature appropriates money to the commission for the purpose of the construction, expansion, or operation of certain inpatient mental health facilities under authority conferred by Sections 2155.144(b-2) and 2166.251, Government Code, the commission may award the money as a one-time grant directly to an entity for that purpose.

SECTION 2. Section 554.001(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The department shall designate state facilities for use ~~[the Waco Center for Youth]~~ as ~~[a]~~ residential treatment facilities ~~[facility]~~ for emotionally disturbed juveniles who:

(1) have been admitted under Subtitle C to a facility of the department; or

(2) are under the managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services and have been admitted under Subtitle C to a state facility designated by the department under this section ~~[the Waco Center for Youth]~~.

SECTION 3. Section 554.002, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 554.002. SERVICES. (a) The department shall provide without charge appropriate education services for all clients residing at state facilities designated by the department under Section 554.001 ~~[the Waco Center for Youth]~~.

(b) The department shall pay for the ~~[those]~~ services described by Subsection (a) from funds appropriated ~~[to the center]~~ for that purpose.

(c) A client of a state facility designated by the department under Section 554.001 ~~[the center]~~ who is not a resident of the school district that serves the geographical area in which the facility is located ~~[Waco Independent School District]~~ may receive education services from the district ~~[Waco Independent School District]~~ only with the prior approval of the superintendent of the district.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 109 was passed by the House on April 29, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 2, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 109 on May 20, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 126, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 109 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 14, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

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

Date

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Governor