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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to procedures regarding certain persons who are or may be
- 3 persons with a mental illness or intellectual or developmental
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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Article 16.23, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 Art. 16.23. DIVERSION OF PERSONS SUFFERING MENTAL HEALTH
- 9 CRISIS OR SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUE. (a) Each local law enforcement
- 10 agency shall make a good faith effort to divert a person suffering a
- 11 mental health crisis or suffering from the effects of substance
- 12 abuse to a <u>facility</u> or program where the person can receive
- 13 treatment or services for the person's mental health crisis or
- 14 substance abuse issue.
- 15 <u>(b) Diversion for treatment or services is appropriate</u>
- 16 under this article [proper treatment center in the agency's
- 17 jurisdiction] if:
- 18 (1) [there is an available and appropriate treatment
- 19 center in the agency's jurisdiction to which the agency may divert
- 20 the person;
- 21 $\left[\frac{(2)}{2}\right]$ it is reasonable <u>under the circumstances</u> to
- 22 divert the person;
- (2) $[\frac{(3)}{(3)}]$ the offense that the person is accused of is
- 24 a misdemeanor, other than a misdemeanor involving violence; and

- 1 (3) $[\frac{(4)}{(4)}]$ the mental health crisis or substance abuse
- 2 issue is suspected to be the reason the person committed the alleged
- 3 offense.
- 4 (c) [(b)] Subsection (a) does not apply to a person who is
- 5 accused of an offense under Section 49.04, 49.045, 49.05, 49.06,
- 6 49.061, 49.065, 49.07, or 49.08, Penal Code.
- 7 (d) Each local law enforcement agency shall adopt a plan for
- 8 diverting a person suffering a mental health crisis or suffering
- 9 from the effects of substance abuse in accordance with this article
- 10 and shall submit an annual report on the plan, including any changes
- 11 to the plan, to the:
- 12 (1) governing body of each county or municipality
- 13 served by the agency; and
- 14 (2) Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.
- 15 SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 45A, Code of Criminal
- 16 Procedure, is amended by adding Article 45A.109 to read as follows:
- 17 Art. 45A.109. DISMISSAL BASED ON DEFENDANT'S LACK OF
- 18 CAPACITY. (a) On motion by the state, the defendant, or a person
- 19 standing in parental relation to the defendant, or on the court's
- 20 own motion, a justice or judge shall determine whether probable
- 21 cause exists to believe that a defendant, including a defendant who
- 22 is a child as defined by Article 45A.453(a) or a defendant with a
- 23 mental illness or intellectual or developmental disability, lacks
- 24 the capacity to understand the proceedings in criminal court or to
- 25 assist in the defendant's own defense and is unfit to proceed.
- 26 (b) If the justice or judge determines that probable cause
- 27 exists for a finding under Subsection (a), after providing notice

- 1 to the state, the justice or judge may dismiss the complaint.
- 2 (c) A dismissal of a complaint under Subsection (b) may be
- 3 appealed as provided by Article 45A.202.
- 4 SECTION 3. Article 46B.025(b), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 5 is amended to read as follows:
- 6 (b) If in the opinion of an expert appointed under Article
- 7 46B.021 the defendant is incompetent to proceed, the expert shall
- 8 state in the report:
- 9 (1) the symptoms, exact nature, severity, and expected
- 10 duration of the deficits resulting from the defendant's mental
- 11 illness or intellectual disability, if any, and the impact of the
- 12 identified condition on the factors listed in Article 46B.024;
- 13 (2) an estimate of the period needed to restore the
- 14 defendant's competency;
- 15 (3) [, including] whether the defendant is likely to
- 16 be restored to competency in the <u>initial restoration period</u>
- 17 <u>authorized under Subchapter D, including any p</u>ossible extension
- 18 under Article 46B.080 [foreseeable future]; and
- (4) $[\frac{(3)}{(3)}]$ prospective treatment options, if any,
- 20 appropriate for the defendant.
- 21 SECTION 4. Article 46B.055, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- 23 Art. 46B.055. PROCEDURE AFTER FINDING OF INCOMPETENCY. If
- 24 the defendant is found incompetent to stand trial, the court shall:
- 25 (1) proceed under Subchapter D if the court determines
- 26 that the defendant is likely to be restored to competency in the
- 27 restoration period authorized under that subchapter, including any

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   possible extension under Article 46B.080; or
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               (2) for a defendant whom the court determines is
   unlikely to be restored to competency in the period described by
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   Subdivision (1):
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                    (A) proceed under Subchapter E or F; or
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                    (B) release the defendant on bail as permitted
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   under Chapter 17.
          SECTION 5. Article 46B.071(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
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    is amended to read as follows:
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                  [Except as provided by Subsection (b), on]
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   determination <u>under Article 46B.055(1)</u> that a defendant
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    incompetent to stand trial and is likely to be restored to
   competency in the period authorized under this subchapter,
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   including any possible extension under Article 46B.080, the court
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   shall:
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               (1) if the defendant is charged with an offense
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   punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, or is charged with an offense
   punishable as a Class A misdemeanor that did not result in bodily
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   injury to another person and the defendant has not been convicted in
   the preceding two years of an offense that resulted in bodily injury
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   to another person:
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                    (A)
                        release the defendant on bail under Article
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   46B.0711; or
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                    (B) if an outpatient competency restoration
   program is unavailable or the defendant cannot be placed in an
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   outpatient competency restoration program before the 14th day after
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the date of the court's order:

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                         (i) on the motion of the attorney
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   representing the state, dismiss the charge and proceed under
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   Subchapter F; or
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                         (ii) on the motion of the attorney
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                              (a) set the matter to be heard not
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   later than the 10th day after the date of filing of the motion; and
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                              (b) dismiss the charge and proceed
   under Subchapter F on a finding that an outpatient competency
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   restoration program is unavailable or that the defendant cannot be
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   placed in an outpatient competency restoration program before the
    14th day after the date of the court's order; or
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                    (B) commit the defendant to:
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                         [(i) a jail-based competency
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                         [<del>(ii) a mental health</del>
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   residential care facility under Article 46B.073(f); or]
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                    if the defendant is charged with an offense
   punishable as a Class A misdemeanor that resulted in bodily injury
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   to another person or any higher category of offense or if the
   defendant is charged with an offense punishable as a Class A
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   misdemeanor that did not result in bodily injury to another person
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   and the defendant has been convicted in the preceding two years of
    an offense that resulted in bodily injury to another person:
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                    (A) release the defendant on bail under Article
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   46B.072; or
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- 1 (B) commit the defendant to a facility or a
- 2 jail-based competency restoration program under Article 46B.073(b)
- $3 \left[\frac{46B.073(c) \text{ or } (d)}{1.00} \right]$
- 4 SECTION 6. The heading to Article 46B.0711, Code of
- 5 Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 Art. 46B.0711. RELEASE ON BAIL: CERTAIN OFFENSES NOT
- 7 <u>INVOLVING BODILY INJURY [FOR CLASS B MISDEMEANOR</u>].
- 8 SECTION 7. Article 46B.0711(b), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 9 is amended to read as follows:
- 10 (b) Subject to conditions reasonably related to ensuring
- 11 public safety and the effectiveness of the defendant's treatment,
- 12 if the court determines that a defendant charged with an offense
- 13 punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, or charged under the
- 14 circumstances described by Article 46B.071(a)(1) with an offense
- 15 <u>punishable as a Class A misdemeanor,</u> and found incompetent to stand
- 16 trial is not a danger to others and may be safely treated on an
- 17 outpatient basis with the specific objective of attaining
- 18 competency to stand trial, and an appropriate outpatient competency
- 19 restoration program is available for the defendant, the court
- 20 shall:
- 21 (1) release the defendant on bail or continue the
- 22 defendant's release on bail; and
- 23 (2) order the defendant to participate in an
- 24 outpatient competency restoration program for a period not to
- 25 exceed 60 days.
- SECTION 8. The heading to Article 46B.072, Code of Criminal
- 27 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

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- 1 Art. 46B.072. RELEASE ON BAIL: FELONIES; CERTAIN OFFENSES
- 2 INVOLVING BODILY INJURY [FOR FELONY OR CLASS A MISDEMEANOR].
- 3 SECTION 9. Article 46B.072(a-1), Code of Criminal
- 4 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 5 (a-1) Subject to conditions reasonably related to ensuring
- 6 public safety and the effectiveness of the defendant's treatment,
- 7 [if] the court may release on bail, or continue the release on bail
- 8 of, [determines that] a defendant charged with an offense
- 9 punishable as a felony, or charged under the circumstances
- 10 described by Article 46B.071(a)(2) with an offense punishable as
- 11 [or] a Class A misdemeanor and found incompetent to stand trial if
- 12 the court determines the defendant is not a danger to others and may
- 13 be safely treated on an outpatient basis with the specific
- 14 objective of attaining competency to stand trial, and an
- 15 appropriate outpatient competency restoration program is available
- 16 for the defendant[, the court:
- 17 [(1) may release on bail a defendant found incompetent
- 18 to stand trial with respect to an offense punishable as a felony or
- 19 may continue the defendant's release on bail; and
- 20 [(2) shall release on bail a defendant found
- 21 incompetent to stand trial with respect to an offense punishable as
- 22 a Class A misdemeanor or shall continue the defendant's release on
- 23 bail].
- SECTION 10. Articles 46B.073(a) and (b), Code of Criminal
- 25 Procedure, are amended to read as follows:
- 26 (a) This article applies only to a defendant not released on
- 27 bail who is subject to an initial restoration period based on

- 1 Article 46B.071(a)(2)(B) [46B.071].
- 2 (b) For purposes of further examination and competency
- 3 restoration services with the specific objective of the defendant
- 4 attaining competency to stand trial, the court shall commit a
- 5 defendant described by Subsection (a) to a mental health facility
- 6 or $[\tau]$ residential care facility designated by the commission $[\tau]$ or
- $7 \quad \underline{a}$ jail-based competency restoration program for the applicable
- 8 period as follows:
- 9 (1) a period of not more than 60 days, if the defendant
- 10 is charged with an offense punishable as a <u>Class A</u> misdemeanor; or
- 11 (2) a period of not more than 120 days, if the
- 12 defendant is charged with an offense punishable as a felony.
- SECTION 11. Article 46B.077(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 14 is amended to read as follows:
- 15 (a) The facility or jail-based competency restoration
- 16 program to which the defendant is committed or the outpatient
- 17 competency restoration program to which the defendant is released
- 18 on bail shall:
- 19 (1) develop an individual program of treatment;
- 20 (2) assess and evaluate whether the defendant is
- 21 likely to be restored to competency in the period authorized under
- 22 this subchapter, including any possible extension under Article
- 23 46B.080 [foreseeable future]; and
- 24 (3) report to the court and to the local mental health
- 25 authority or to the local intellectual and developmental disability
- 26 authority on the defendant's progress toward achieving competency.
- 27 SECTION 12. Articles 46B.079(b) and (b-1), Code of Criminal

- 1 Procedure, are amended to read as follows:
- 2 (b) The head of the facility or jail-based competency
- 3 restoration program provider shall promptly notify the court when
- 4 the head of the facility or program provider believes that:
- 5 (1) the defendant is clinically ready and can be
- 6 safely transferred to a competency restoration program for
- 7 education services but has not yet attained competency to stand
- 8 trial;
- 9 (2) the defendant has attained competency to stand
- 10 trial; or
- 11 (3) the defendant is not likely to attain competency
- 12 in the period authorized under this subchapter, including any
- 13 possible extension under Article 46B.080 [foreseeable future].
- 14 (b-1) The outpatient competency restoration program
- 15 provider shall promptly notify the court when the program provider
- 16 believes that:
- 17 (1) the defendant has attained competency to stand
- 18 trial; or
- 19 (2) the defendant is not likely to attain competency
- 20 in the period authorized under this subchapter, including any
- 21 possible extension under Article 46B.080 [foreseeable future].
- 22 SECTION 13. Articles 46B.084(a-1) and (b), Code of Criminal
- 23 Procedure, are amended to read as follows:
- 24 (a-1)(1) Following the defendant's return to the court, the
- 25 court shall make a determination with regard to the defendant's
- 26 competency to stand trial. The court may make the determination
- 27 based only on the most recent report that is filed under Article

46B.079(c) and based on notice under that article, other than 1 notice under Subsection (b)(1) of that article, and on other 2 3 medical information or personal history information relating to the defendant. A party may object in writing or in open court to the 4 5 findings of the most recent report not later than the 15th day after the date on which the court received the applicable notice under 6 7 Article 46B.079. If no party objects to the findings of the most recent report within that period, the [The] court shall make the 8 determination not later than the 20th day after the date on which 9 the court received the applicable notice under Article 46B.079, or 10 not later than the fifth day after the date of the defendant's 11 return to court, whichever occurs first [, regardless of whether a 12 party objects to the report as described by this subsection and the 13 14 issue is set for hearing under Subsection (b)].

- 15 (2) Notwithstanding Subdivision (1), in a county with a population of less than 1.2 million or in a county with a 16 17 population of four million or more, if no party objects to the findings of the most recent report within the period specified by 18 19 that subdivision, the court shall make the determination described by that subdivision not later than the 20th day after the date on 20 which the court received notification under Article 46B.079 [τ 21 regardless of whether a party objects to the report as described by 22 that subdivision and the issue is set for a hearing under Subsection 23 24 (b)].
- (b) If a party objects <u>as provided by [under]</u> Subsection (a-1) <u>and raises a suggestion that the defendant may no longer be competent to stand trial, the court shall determine, by informal</u>

- 1 inquiry not later than the fifth day after the date of the 2 objection, whether there exists any evidence from a credible source that the defendant may no longer be competent. If, after an 3 informal inquiry, the court determines that evidence from a 4 credible source exists to support a finding of incompetency, the 5 court shall order a further examination under Subchapter B to 6 determine whether the defendant is incompetent to stand trial. 7 8 Following receipt of the expert's report under that subchapter, the issue shall be set for a hearing not later than the 10th day after 9 10 the date the report is received by the court. The hearing is before the court, except that on motion by the defendant, the defense 11
- SECTION 14. Subchapter D, Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 46B.0855 to read as follows:

counsel, the prosecuting attorney, or the court, the hearing shall

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be held before a jury.

Art. 46B.0855. RAISING ISSUE OF INCOMPETENCY WHEN CRIMINAL 17 PROCEEDINGS ARE NOT TIMELY RESUMED. If the court has found the 18 19 defendant competent to stand trial under Article 46B.084, but the criminal proceedings against the defendant were not resumed within 20 the period specified by Subsection (d) of that article, the court 21 22 shall, on motion of either party suggesting that the defendant may no longer be competent to stand trial, follow the procedures 23 provided under Subchapters A and B, except any subsequent court 24 orders for treatment must be issued under Subchapter E or F. If, 25 26 following the end of the period specified by Article 46B.084(d), the court suspects that the defendant may no longer be competent to 27

- 1 stand trial, the court may make that suggestion under this article
- 2 on its own motion.
- 3 SECTION 15. Article 46B.086, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 4 amended by amending Subsections (a), (d), and (f) and adding
- 5 Subsection (h) to read as follows:
- 6 (a) This article applies only to a defendant:
- 7 (1) who is determined under this chapter to be
- 8 incompetent to stand trial;
- 9 (2) who either:
- 10 (A) remains confined in a correctional facility,
- 11 as defined by Section 1.07, Penal Code, for a period exceeding 72
- 12 hours while awaiting transfer to an inpatient mental health
- 13 facility, a residential care facility, or an outpatient competency
- 14 restoration program;
- 15 (B) is committed to an inpatient mental health
- 16 facility, a residential care facility, or a jail-based competency
- 17 restoration program for the purpose of competency restoration;
- 18 (C) is confined in a correctional facility while
- 19 awaiting further criminal proceedings following competency
- 20 restoration; or
- 21 (D) is subject to Article 46B.072, if the court
- 22 has made the determinations required by Subsection (a-1) of that
- 23 article;
- 24 (3) for whom a correctional facility or jail-based
- 25 competency restoration program that employs or contracts with a
- 26 primary care provider to provide mental health services [licensed
- 27 psychiatrist], an inpatient mental health facility, a residential

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- 1 care facility, or an outpatient competency restoration program
- 2 provider has prepared a continuity of care plan that requires the
- 3 defendant to take psychoactive medications; and
- 4 (4) who, after a hearing held under Section 574.106 or
- 5 592.156, Health and Safety Code, if applicable, has been found to
- 6 not meet the criteria prescribed by Sections 574.106(a) and (a-1)
- 7 or 592.156(a) and (b), Health and Safety Code, for court-ordered
- 8 administration of psychoactive medications.
- 9 (d) The court may issue an order under this article only if
- 10 the order is supported by the testimony of [two physicians, one of
- 11 whom is] the primary care provider [physician] at or with the
- 12 applicable facility or program who is prescribing the medication as
- 13 a component of the defendant's continuity of care plan [and another
- 14 who is not otherwise involved in proceedings against the
- 15 defendant]. The court may require the primary care provider
- 16 [either or both physicians] to examine the defendant and report on
- 17 the examination to the court.
- 18 (f) A statement made by a defendant to a primary care
- 19 provider [physician] during an examination under Subsection (d) may
- 20 not be admitted against the defendant in any criminal proceeding,
- 21 other than at:
- 22 (1) a hearing on the defendant's incompetency; or
- 23 (2) any proceeding at which the defendant first
- 24 introduces into evidence the contents of the statement.
- 25 (h) In this article, "primary care provider" has the meaning
- 26 assigned by Section 574.101, Health and Safety Code.
- SECTION 16. Articles 46B.091(d), (g), (i), (j), and (j-1),

- 1 Code of Criminal Procedure, are amended to read as follows:
- 2 (d) A jail-based competency restoration program provider
- 3 must:
- 4 (1) provide jail-based competency restoration
- 5 services, through the use of a multidisciplinary treatment team,
- 6 that are [+
- 7 $\left[\frac{A}{A}\right]$ directed toward the specific objective of
- 8 restoring the defendant's competency to stand trial; [and
- 9 [(B) similar to other competency restoration
- 10 programs;
- 11 (2) employ or contract for the services of at least one
- 12 psychiatrist to oversee a defendant's medication management;
- 13 (3) provide jail-based competency restoration
- 14 services through licensed or qualified mental health
- 15 professionals;
- 16 (4) provide weekly competency restoration hours
- 17 commensurate to the hours provided as part of a competency
- 18 restoration program at an inpatient mental health facility;
- 19 (5) operate the program in the jail in a designated
- 20 space that is separate from the space used for the general
- 21 population of the jail;
- 22 (6) ensure coordination with the jail's behavioral
- 23 health provider regarding a defendant's treatment plan [of general
- 24 health care];
- 25 (7) provide mental health treatment and substance use
- 26 disorder treatment to defendants, as necessary, for competency
- 27 restoration; and

- 1 (8) ensure the provision of [supply] clinically
 2 appropriate psychoactive medications for purposes of administering
 3 court-ordered medication to defendants as applicable and in
 4 accordance with Article 46B.086 of this code or Section 574.106,
 5 Health and Safety Code.
- 6 (g) A psychiatrist or psychologist for the provider who has
 7 the qualifications described by Article 46B.022 shall evaluate the
 8 defendant's competency and report to the court as required by
 9 Article 46B.079. The psychiatrist or psychologist performing the
 10 evaluation is not required to be appointed by the court as a
 11 disinterested expert under Article 46B.021.
- (i) If at any time during a defendant's commitment to a program implemented under this article the psychiatrist or psychologist for the provider determines that the defendant's competency to stand trial is unlikely to be restored in the period authorized under this subchapter, including any possible extension under Article 46B.080 [foreseeable future]:
- 18 (1) the psychiatrist or psychologist for the provider 19 shall promptly issue and send to the court a report demonstrating 20 that fact; and
- 21 (2) the court shall:
- (A) proceed under Subchapter E or F and order the transfer of the defendant, without unnecessary delay, to the first available facility that is appropriate for that defendant, as provided under Subchapter E or F, as applicable; or
- 26 (B) release the defendant on bail as permitted 27 under Chapter 17.

Based on a review of the defendant's progress toward 1 (j) achieving competency, if the jail-based competency restoration 2 program provider believes that a defendant [If the psychiatrist or 3 psychologist for the provider determines that a defendant committed 4 to a program implemented under this article] has not been restored 5 to competency by the end of the 60th day after the date the 6 7 defendant began to receive services in the program, the provider 8 [jail-based competency restoration program] shall continue to provide competency restoration services to the defendant for the 9 period authorized by Article 46B.073(b) [by this subchapter], 10 including any extension ordered under Article 46B.080, unless: 11 (1) the provider [jail-based competency restoration 12 program] is notified that space at an inpatient mental health 13 facility or residential care facility [a facility or outpatient 14 15 competency restoration program] appropriate for the defendant is available or the provider believes that the defendant is clinically 16 17 ready and can be safely transferred to an outpatient competency restoration program; and 18 19 (2) [7] as applicable based on the period for which the services are authorized: 20 (A) [(A)] for a defendant charged with a felony, 21 not less than 45 days are remaining in the initial restoration 22 23 period; or 24 (B) $[\frac{(2)}{(2)}]$ for a defendant charged with a felony or a misdemeanor, an extension has been ordered under Article 25

46B.080 and not less than 45 days are remaining under the extension

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- (j-1) After receipt of a notice under Subsection (j) that 1 space at an inpatient mental health facility or residential care 2 3 facility is available, the defendant shall be transferred without unnecessary delay to the appropriate mental health facility or $[\tau]$ 4 5 residential care facility [, or outpatient competency restoration program] for the remainder of the period permitted by Article 6 46B.073(b) [this subchapter], including any extension that may be 7 8 ordered under Article 46B.080 if an extension has not previously been ordered under that article. If the provider believes that the 9 defendant is clinically ready and can be safely transferred to an 10 outpatient competency restoration program, the provider must 11 12 promptly notify the court to allow the court to evaluate whether to order the transfer of the defendant to an outpatient competency 13 14 restoration program in accordance with Subsection (m). 15 defendant is not transferred, and if the psychiatrist psychologist for the provider determines that the defendant has not 16 17 been restored to competency by the end of the period authorized by this subchapter, the defendant shall be returned to the court for 18 19 further proceedings. For a defendant charged with a felony or a misdemeanor, the court may: 20
- 21 (1) proceed under Subchapter E or F;
- 22 (2) release the defendant on bail as permitted under
- 23 Chapter 17; or
- 24 (3) dismiss <u>any misdemeanor charge</u> [the charges] in
- 25 accordance with Article 46B.010.
- SECTION 17. Article 46B.101, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 27 amended to read as follows:

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- 1 Art. 46B.101. APPLICABILITY. This subchapter applies to a
- 2 defendant against whom a court is required to proceed according to
- 3 Article 46B.084(e) or 46B.0855 or according to the court's
- 4 appropriate determination under Article 46B.055(2) [46B.071].
- 5 SECTION 18. Article 46B.103(c), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 6 is amended to read as follows:
- 7 (c) If the court enters an order committing the defendant to
- 8 a residential care facility, the defendant shall be:
- 9 (1) treated and released in accordance with Subtitle
- 10 D, Title 7, Health and Safety Code, except as otherwise provided by
- 11 this chapter; and
- 12 (2) released in conformity with Article 46B.1075
- 13 [46B.107].
- 14 SECTION 19. Article 46B.104, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 15 amended to read as follows:
- 16 Art. 46B.104. CIVIL COMMITMENT PLACEMENT: FINDING OF
- 17 VIOLENCE. (a) This article applies to a [A] defendant committed to
- 18 a commission-designated facility as a result of proceedings
- 19 initiated under this chapter [shall be committed to the facility
- 20 designated by the commission] if:
- 21 (1) the defendant is charged with an offense listed in
- 22 Article 17.032(a); or
- 23 (2) the indictment charging the offense alleges an
- 24 affirmative finding under Article 42A.054(c) or (d).
- 25 (b) The court shall send a copy of the order of commitment to
- 26 the applicable facility.
- 27 (c) For a defendant whose initial commitment is under this

- 1 subchapter as provided by Article 46B.055(2), the court shall:
- 2 (1) provide to the facility copies of the following
- 3 items made available to the court during the incompetency trial:
- 4 (A) reports of each expert;
- 5 (B) psychiatric, psychological, or social work
- 6 reports that relate to the current mental condition of the
- 7 <u>defendant;</u>
- 8 (C) documents provided by the attorney
- 9 representing the state or the defendant's attorney that relate to
- 10 the defendant's current or past mental condition;
- 11 (D) copies of the indictment or information and
- 12 any supporting documents used to establish probable cause in the
- 13 <u>case;</u>
- 14 (E) the defendant's criminal history record
- 15 information; and
- 16 <u>(F)</u> the addresses of the attorney representing
- 17 the state and the defendant's attorney; and
- 18 (2) direct the court reporter to promptly prepare and
- 19 provide to the facility transcripts of all medical testimony
- 20 received by the jury or court.
- 21 SECTION 20. Article 46B.1055, Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 22 is amended by amending Subsections (b), (c), (d), (g), and (i) and
- 23 adding Subsections (b-1) and (c-1) to read as follows:
- (b) The defendant, the head of the mental health facility to
- 25 which the defendant is committed, or the attorney representing the
- 26 state may request that the court modify an order for inpatient
- 27 mental health treatment [or residential care] to order the

- 1 defendant to participate in an outpatient treatment program.
- 2 (b-1) The defendant, the head of the residential care
- 3 facility to which the defendant is committed, or the attorney
- 4 representing the state may request that the court modify an order
- 5 for commitment to a residential care facility.
- 6 (c) If the head of the mental health facility to which the
- 7 defendant is committed makes a request under Subsection (b), not
- 8 later than the 14th day after the date of the request the court
- 9 shall hold a hearing to determine whether the court should modify
- 10 the order for inpatient mental health treatment [or residential
- 11 care] in accordance with Subtitle C, Title 7, Health and Safety
- 12 Code.
- 13 (c-1) If the head of the residential care facility to which
- 14 the defendant is committed makes a request under Subsection (b-1),
- 15 not later than the 14th day after the date of the request the court
- 16 shall hold a hearing to determine whether the court should modify
- 17 the order for commitment to a residential care facility in
- 18 accordance with Article 46B.1075.
- 19 (d) If the defendant or the attorney representing the state
- 20 makes a request under Subsection (b) or (b-1), not later than the
- 21 14th day after the date of the request the court shall grant the
- 22 request, deny the request, or hold a hearing on the request to
- 23 determine whether the court should modify the order for inpatient
- 24 <u>mental health</u> treatment or <u>for</u> residential care. A court is not
- 25 required to hold a hearing under this subsection unless the request
- 26 and any supporting materials provided to the court provide a basis
- 27 for believing modification of the order may be appropriate.

- 1 (g) If a request under Subsection (b) is made by a defendant
- 2 before the 91st day after the date the court makes a determination
- 3 on a previous request under that subsection, the court is not
- 4 required to act on the request until the earlier of:
- 5 (1) the expiration of the current order for inpatient
- 6 <u>mental health</u> treatment [or residential care]; or
- 7 (2) the 91st day after the date of the court's previous
- 8 determination.
- 9 (i) The court shall rule on a request made under Subsection
- 10 (b) or (b-1) as soon as practicable after a hearing on the request,
- 11 but not later than the 14th day after the date of the request.
- 12 SECTION 21. The heading to Article 46B.107, Code of
- 13 Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 14 Art. 46B.107. RELEASE OF DEFENDANT AFTER CIVIL COMMITMENT:
- 15 MENTAL ILLNESS.
- SECTION 22. Article 46B.107, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 17 amended by amending Subsections (a) and (d) and adding Subsection
- 18 (a-1) to read as follows:
- 19 (a) This article applies only to a defendant who has been
- 20 committed under Article 46B.102.
- 21 (a-1) The release of a defendant committed under this
- 22 chapter from the commission, an outpatient treatment program, or
- 23 another facility is subject to disapproval by the committing court
- 24 if the court or the attorney representing the state has notified the
- 25 head of the facility or outpatient treatment provider, as
- 26 applicable, to which the defendant has been committed that a
- 27 criminal charge remains pending against the defendant.

- The court shall, on receiving notice from the head of \boldsymbol{a} 1 facility or outpatient treatment provider of intent to release the 2 3 defendant under Subsection (b), hold a hearing to determine whether release is appropriate under the applicable criteria in Subtitle C 4 5 [or D], Title 7, Health and Safety Code. The court may, on motion of the attorney representing the state or on its own motion, hold a 6 hearing to determine whether release is appropriate under the 7 8 applicable criteria in Subtitle C [or D], Title 7, Health and Safety Code, regardless of whether the court receives notice that the head 9 10 of a facility or outpatient treatment provider provides notice of intent to release the defendant under Subsection (b). The court 11 12 may conduct the hearing:
- 13 (1) at the facility; or
- 14 (2) by means of an electronic broadcast system as 15 provided by Article 46B.013.
- SECTION 23. Subchapter E, Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 46B.1075 to read as
- 18 follows:
- 19 Art. 46B.1075. RELEASE OF DEFENDANT AFTER CIVIL COMMITMENT:
- 20 INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY. (a) This article applies only to a
- 21 defendant who has been committed under Article 46B.103.
- 22 (b) The release of a defendant committed to a residential
- 23 care facility under this chapter is subject to disapproval by the
- 24 committing court if the court or the attorney representing the
- 25 state has notified the head of the residential care facility that a
- 26 criminal charge remains pending against the defendant.
- 27 (c) If the head of the residential care facility determines

- 1 that the defendant should be released from the facility, the head of
- 2 the facility shall notify the committing court and the sheriff of
- 3 the county from which the defendant was committed in writing of the
- 4 release not later than the 14th day before the date on which the
- 5 residential care facility intends to release the defendant.
- 6 (d) The head of the residential care facility shall provide
- 7 with the notice:
- 8 <u>(1) a written statement that states an opinion</u>
- 9 regarding whether the defendant has attained competency to stand
- 10 trial; and
- 11 (2) the interdisciplinary team recommendation
- 12 prepared for the defendant under Section 593.013, Health and Safety
- 13 Code.
- 14 (e) The defendant, the head of the residential care
- 15 facility, or the attorney representing the state may request that
- 16 the court approve the release of the defendant or approve the
- 17 release and require the defendant's participation in a
- 18 community-based living plan.
- 19 (f) Not later than the 14th day after the date of a request
- 20 under Subsection (e), the court shall hold a hearing to determine
- 21 whether the court should deny the request to release the defendant
- 22 from the residential care facility, grant the request, or grant the
- 23 request and require the defendant's participation in a
- 24 community-based living plan. Notice of the hearing must be
- 25 provided in accordance with Section 593.048, Health and Safety
- 26 Code.
- 27 (g) The court may conduct the hearing:

(1) at the residential care facility; or 1 2 (2) by means of an electronic broadcast system as 3 provided by Article 46B.013. 4 (h) On receipt of a request to release the defendant under 5 Subsection (e), the court shall require the residential care 6 facility to submit: 7 (1) a report indicating whether: 8 (A) the defendant's continued placement at the residential care facility is appropriate for the defendant's 9 10 individual needs; (B) the defendant can adequately and 11 12 appropriately reside in another setting; and (C) appropriate community-based services are 13 14 available to the defendant; and 15 (2) a community living discharge plan for the 16 defendant. 17 (i) If, after a hearing, the preponderance of evidence shows that the defendant's continued placement at the facility is no 18 19 longer appropriate for the defendant's individual needs, the defendant can adequately and appropriately reside in another 20 setting, and appropriate community-based services are available to 21 22 the defendant, the court shall enter an order that grants the release of the defendant from the facility. The court may also 23 require the defendant to participate in a community-based living 24 plan based on the community living discharge plan submitted under 25 26 Subsection (h)(2). If the court requires the defendant to

participate in a community-based living plan, the court shall

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- 1 designate the local intellectual and developmental disability
- 2 authority responsible for supervising the community-based living
- 3 plan.
- 4 (j) The community-based living plan may be amended, without
- 5 court approval, by the residential care facility or the local
- 6 intellectual and developmental disability authority to address the
- 7 <u>defendant's ongoing needs.</u>
- 8 (k) The court shall rule on a request made under Subsection
- 9 (e) as soon as practicable after a hearing on the request but not
- 10 later than the 14th day after the date of the request. If a hearing
- 11 is not held during that period, the request to release the defendant
- 12 is automatically granted.
- 13 (1) An order authorizing the release of the defendant and
- 14 requiring the defendant to participate in a community-based living
- 15 plan must specify a period of participation that may not exceed 12
- 16 months, and the court may not order the defendant to participate in
- 17 any subsequent community-based living plan in connection with the
- 18 same offense.
- 19 (m) If a request under Subsection (e) is made by a defendant
- 20 before the 91st day after the date the court makes a determination
- 21 on a previous request under that subsection, the court is not
- 22 required to act on the request until the 91st day after the date of
- 23 the court's previous determination.
- 24 (n) A proceeding for granting the release of the defendant
- 25 and requiring the defendant's participation in a community-based
- 26 living plan is governed by Subtitle D, Title 7, Health and Safety
- 27 Code, to the extent that subtitle applies and does not conflict with

- 1 this chapter, except that the criminal court shall conduct the
- 2 proceeding regardless of whether the criminal court is also the
- 3 county court.
- 4 (o) A defendant is entitled to an appeal from an order
- 5 denying the defendant's release or requiring the defendant's
- 6 participation in a community-based living plan.
- 7 (p) The local intellectual and developmental disability
- 8 <u>authority responsible for supervising a defendant's</u>
- 9 community-based living plan shall inform the court if the authority
- 10 determines the defendant's return to the residential care facility
- 11 is necessary at any time during the period provided by Subsection
- 12 (1).
- SECTION 24. Article 46B.109(b), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 14 is amended to read as follows:
- 15 (b) The head of the facility or outpatient treatment
- 16 provider shall provide with the request a written statement that in
- 17 their opinion the defendant is competent to stand trial and shall
- 18 file with the court as provided by Article 46B.025 a report stating
- 19 the reason why the facility or provider believes the defendant has
- 20 been restored to competency. The head of the facility or outpatient
- 21 treatment provider must include with the report a list of the types
- 22 and dosages of medications prescribed for the defendant while the
- 23 defendant was receiving services in the facility or through the
- 24 outpatient treatment program. The court shall provide copies of
- 25 the written statement and report to the attorney representing the
- 26 state and the defendant's attorney. Either party may object to the
- 27 findings in the written statement or report as provided by Article

- 1 46B.1115.
- 2 SECTION 25. Subchapter E, Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal
- 3 Procedure, is amended by adding Article 46B.1115 to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 Art. 46B.1115. PROCEEDINGS TO DETERMINE RESTORATION OF
- 6 COMPETENCY. The periods for objecting to the written statement and
- 7 report filed under Article 46B.109(b) and for conducting a hearing
- 8 on the defendant's competency under this subchapter are the same as
- 9 those specified under Article 46B.084.
- 10 SECTION 26. Article 46B.114, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 11 amended to read as follows:
- 12 Art. 46B.114. TRANSPORTATION OF DEFENDANT TO COURT. (a) If
- 13 the hearing is not conducted at the facility to which the defendant
- 14 has been committed under this chapter or conducted by means of an
- 15 electronic broadcast system as described by this subchapter, an
- 16 order setting a hearing to determine whether the defendant has been
- 17 restored to competency shall direct that [, as soon as practicable
- 18 but not earlier than 72 hours before the date the hearing is
- 19 scheduled, the defendant be placed in the custody of the sheriff of
- 20 the county in which the committing court is located or the sheriff's
- 21 designee for prompt transportation to the court. [The sheriff or
- 22 the sheriff's designee may not take custody of the defendant under
- 23 this article until 72 hours before the date the hearing is
- 24 scheduled.
- 25 (b) If before the 15th day after the date on which the court
- 26 <u>received notification under Article 46B.109 that a defendant</u>
- 27 committed to a facility or ordered to participate in an outpatient

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- 1 treatment program has not been transported to the court that issued
- 2 the order under this subchapter, the head of the facility or
- 3 outpatient treatment provider shall cause the defendant to be
- 4 promptly transported to the court and placed in the custody of the
- 5 sheriff of the county in which the court is located. The county in
- 6 which the court is located shall reimburse the commission or
- 7 outpatient treatment provider, as appropriate, for the mileage and
- 8 per diem expenses of the personnel required to transport the
- 9 defendant, calculated in accordance with rates provided in the
- 10 General Appropriations Act for state employees.
- 11 SECTION 27. Article 46B.151(a), Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 12 is amended to read as follows:
- 13 (a) If a court is required by Article 46B.084(f) or 46B.0855
- 14 or by its appropriate determination under Article 46B.055(2)
- 15 [46B.071] to proceed under this subchapter, or if the court is
- 16 permitted by Article 46B.004(e) to proceed under this subchapter,
- 17 the court shall determine whether there is evidence to support a
- 18 finding that the defendant is either a person with mental illness or
- 19 a person with an intellectual disability.
- 20 SECTION 28. Chapter 121, Government Code, is amended by
- 21 adding Section 121.005 to read as follows:
- 22 <u>Sec. 121.005. JURISDICTION AND</u> AUTHORITY OF JUDGE OR
- 23 MAGISTRATE IN NON-REGIONAL SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM. (a) This
- 24 section applies to a specialty court established under this
- 25 subtitle by a single county or municipality.
- (b) For a case properly transferred to the program, the
- 27 judge or magistrate of a specialty court program to which this

- 1 section applies may:
- 2 (1) enter orders, judgments, and decrees for the case;
- 3 (2) sign orders of detention, order community service,
- 4 or impose other reasonable and necessary sanctions;
- 5 (3) send recommendations for dismissal and expunction
- 6 to the originating trial court for a defendant who successfully
- 7 completes the program; and
- 8 (4) return the case and documentation required by this
- 9 subtitle to the originating trial court for final disposition on a
- 10 defendant's successful completion of or removal from the program.
- 11 (c) A visiting judge assigned to preside over a specialty
- 12 court program to which this section applies has the same authority
- 13 as the judge or magistrate appointed to preside over the program.
- 14 SECTION 29. Section 125.001, Government Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 Sec. 125.001. MENTAL HEALTH COURT PROGRAM DEFINED;
- 17 PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN DEFENDANTS. (a) In this chapter, "mental
- 18 health court program" means:
- 19 (1) a program under the supervision and direction of a
- 20 court with criminal jurisdiction; or
- 21 (2) an assisted outpatient treatment court program for
- 22 persons subject to court-ordered outpatient mental health services
- 23 under Chapter 574, Health and Safety Code.
- 24 (b) A mental health court program as defined by Subsection
- 25 (a) [that] has the following essential characteristics:
- 26 (1) the integration of mental illness treatment
- 27 services and intellectual disability services in the processing of

- 1 cases in the judicial system;
- 2 (2) the use of a nonadversarial approach involving
- 3 prosecutors and defense attorneys, or involving attorneys
- 4 representing proposed patients and attorneys requesting
- 5 court-ordered outpatient mental health services under Chapter 574,
- 6 Health and Safety Code, to promote public safety and to protect the
- 7 due process rights of program participants;
- 8 (3) early identification and prompt placement of
- 9 eligible participants in a [the] program;
- 10 (4) access to mental illness treatment services and
- 11 intellectual disability services;
- 12 (5) ongoing judicial interaction with program
- 13 participants;
- 14 (6) diversion or potential diversion of a defendant in
- 15 <u>any pending criminal case</u> [defendants] who <u>has</u> [potentially have] a
- 16 mental illness or an intellectual disability to needed services as
- 17 an alternative to subjecting the defendant [those defendants] to
- 18 the criminal justice system;
- 19 (7) monitoring and evaluation of program goals and
- 20 effectiveness;
- 21 (8) continuing interdisciplinary education to promote
- 22 effective program planning, implementation, and operations; and
- 23 (9) development of partnerships with public agencies
- 24 and community organizations, including local intellectual and
- 25 developmental disability authorities.
- 26 (c) [(b)] If a defendant with a pending criminal case
- 27 successfully completes a mental health court program, after notice

- 1 to the attorney representing the state and a hearing in the mental
- 2 health court at which that court determines that a dismissal is in
- 3 the best interest of justice, the mental health court shall provide
- 4 to the court in which the criminal case is pending information about
- 5 the dismissal and shall include all of the information required
- 6 about the defendant for a petition for expunction under Article
- 7 55A.253, Code of Criminal Procedure. The court in which the
- 8 criminal case is pending shall dismiss the case against the
- 9 defendant and:
- 10 (1) if that trial court is a district court, the court
- 11 may, with the consent of the attorney representing the state, enter
- 12 an order of expunction on behalf of the defendant under Article
- 13 55A.203(b), Code of Criminal Procedure; or
- 14 (2) if that trial court is not a district court, the
- 15 court may, with the consent of the attorney representing the state,
- 16 forward the appropriate dismissal and expunction information to
- 17 enable a district court with jurisdiction to enter an order of
- 18 expunction on behalf of the defendant under Article 55A.203(b),
- 19 Code of Criminal Procedure.
- SECTION 30. Section 125.002, Government Code, is amended to
- 21 read as follows:
- Sec. 125.002. AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH PROGRAM. (a) The
- 23 commissioners court of a county may establish a mental health court
- 24 program for persons who:
- 25 (1) have been arrested for or charged with a
- 26 misdemeanor or felony; and
- 27 (2) are suspected by a law enforcement agency or a

- 1 court of having a mental illness or an intellectual disability.
- 2 (b) The commissioners court of a county may establish a
- 3 mental health court program for persons who:
- 4 (1) have a mental illness;
- 5 (2) have demonstrated an inability to effectively
- 6 participate in outpatient mental health services voluntarily; and
- 7 (3) meet the criteria for court-ordered outpatient
- 8 mental health services under Chapter 574, Health and Safety Code.
- 9 SECTION 31. Section 125.003(a), Government Code, is amended
- 10 to read as follows:
- 11 (a) A mental health court program established under Section
- 12 125.002:
- 13 (1) may handle all issues arising under Articles 16.22
- 14 and 17.032, Code of Criminal Procedure, and Chapter 46B, Code of
- 15 Criminal Procedure; and
- 16 (2) must:
- 17 (A) ensure a person eligible for the program is
- 18 provided legal counsel before volunteering to proceed through the
- 19 mental health court program and while participating in the program;
- 20 (B) allow a defendant in a pending criminal case
- 21 [person], if eligible for the program, to choose whether to proceed
- 22 through the mental health court program or proceed through the
- 23 regular criminal justice system;
- (C) <u>if applicable</u>, allow a participant to
- 25 withdraw from the mental health court program at any time before a
- 26 trial on the merits has been initiated;
- (D) provide a participant with a court-ordered

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- 1 individualized treatment plan indicating the services that will be
- 2 provided to the participant; and
- 3 (E) ensure that the jurisdiction of the mental
- 4 health court extends at least six months but does not extend beyond
- 5 the probationary period for the offense charged if the probationary
- 6 period is longer than six months.
- 7 SECTION 32. Section 125.005(a), Government Code, is amended
- 8 to read as follows:
- 9 (a) The commissioners court of a county with a population of
- 10 more than 200,000 shall:
- 11 (1) under the supervision and direction of a court
- 12 with criminal jurisdiction, establish a mental health court program
- 13 under Section 125.002; and
- 14 (2) direct the judge, magistrate, or coordinator to
- 15 comply with Section 121.002(c)(1).
- 16 SECTION 33. Section 574.101, Health and Safety Code, is
- 17 amended by adding Subdivision (2-a) to read as follows:
- 18 (2-a) "Primary care provider" means a health care
- 19 professional, including a physician, advanced practice registered
- 20 <u>nurse, or physician assistant licensed in this</u> state.
- 21 SECTION 34. The heading to Section 574.104, Health and
- 22 Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 574.104. PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER'S [PHYSICIAN'S]
- 24 APPLICATION FOR ORDER TO AUTHORIZE PSYCHOACTIVE MEDICATION; DATE
- 25 OF HEARING.
- SECTION 35. Sections 574.104(a) and (b), Health and Safety
- 27 Code, are amended to read as follows:

- 1 (a) A primary care provider [physician] who is treating a
- 2 patient may, on behalf of the state, file an application in a
- 3 probate court or a court with probate jurisdiction for an order to
- 4 authorize the administration of a psychoactive medication
- 5 regardless of the patient's refusal if:
- 6 (1) the <u>primary care provider</u> [physician] believes
- 7 that the patient lacks the capacity to make a decision regarding the
- 8 administration of the psychoactive medication;
- 9 (2) the primary care provider [physician] determines
- 10 that the medication is the proper course of treatment for the
- 11 patient;
- 12 (3) the patient is under an order for inpatient mental
- 13 health services under this chapter or other law or an application
- 14 for court-ordered mental health services under Section 574.034,
- 15 574.0345, 574.035, or 574.0355 has been filed for the patient; and
- 16 (4) the patient, verbally or by other indication,
- 17 refuses to take the medication voluntarily.
- 18 (b) An application filed under this section must state:
- 19 (1) that the primary care provider [physician]
- 20 believes that the patient lacks the capacity to make a decision
- 21 regarding administration of the psychoactive medication and the
- 22 reasons for that belief;
- 23 (2) each medication the <u>primary care provider</u>
- 24 [physician] wants the court to compel the patient to take;
- 25 (3) whether an application for court-ordered mental
- 26 health services under Section 574.034, 574.0345, 574.035, or
- 27 574.0355 has been filed;

- 1 (4) whether a court order for inpatient mental health
- 2 services for the patient has been issued and, if so, under what
- 3 authority it was issued;
- 4 (5) the primary care provider's [physician's]
- 5 diagnosis of the patient; and
- 6 (6) the proposed method for administering the
- 7 medication and, if the method is not customary, an explanation
- 8 justifying the departure from the customary methods.
- 9 SECTION 36. Sections 574.106(a) and (a-1), Health and
- 10 Safety Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 11 (a) The court may issue an order authorizing the
- 12 administration of one or more classes of psychoactive medication to
- 13 a patient who:
- 14 (1) is under a court order to receive inpatient mental
- 15 health services; or
- 16 (2) is in custody awaiting trial in a criminal
- 17 proceeding and was ordered to receive inpatient mental health
- 18 services [in the six months preceding a hearing under this
- 19 section].
- 20 (a-1) The court may issue an order under this section only
- 21 if the court finds by clear and convincing evidence after the
- 22 hearing:
- 23 (1) that the patient lacks the capacity to make a
- 24 decision regarding the administration of the proposed medication
- 25 and treatment with the proposed medication is in the best interest
- 26 of the patient; or
- 27 (2) if the patient was ordered to receive inpatient

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- 1 mental health services by a criminal court with jurisdiction over
- 2 the patient, that treatment with the proposed medication is in the
- 3 best interest of the patient and either:
- 4 (A) the patient presents a danger to the patient
- 5 or others in the inpatient mental health facility in which the
- 6 patient is being treated as a result of a mental <u>illness</u> [disorder
- 7 or mental defect] as determined under Section 574.1065; or
- 8 (B) the patient:
- 9 (i) has remained confined in a correctional
- 10 facility, as defined by Section 1.07, Penal Code, for a period
- 11 exceeding 72 hours while awaiting transfer for competency
- 12 restoration treatment; and
- 13 (ii) presents a danger to the patient or
- 14 others in the correctional facility as a result of a mental <u>illness</u>
- 15 [disorder or mental defect] as determined under Section 574.1065.
- 16 SECTION 37. Section 574.1065, Health and Safety Code, is
- 17 amended to read as follows:
- 18 Sec. 574.1065. FINDING THAT PATIENT PRESENTS A DANGER. In
- 19 making a finding under Section 574.106(a-1)(2) that, as a result of
- 20 a mental $\underline{\text{illness}}$ [$\underline{\text{disorder or mental defect}}$], the patient presents
- 21 a danger to the patient or others in the inpatient mental health
- 22 facility in which the patient is being treated or in the
- 23 correctional facility, as applicable, the court shall consider:
- 24 (1) an assessment of the patient's present mental
- 25 condition;
- 26 (2) whether the patient has inflicted, attempted to
- 27 inflict, or made a serious threat of inflicting substantial

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- 1 physical harm to the patient's self or to another while in the
- 2 facility; and
- 3 (3) whether the patient, in the six months preceding
- 4 the date the patient was placed in the facility, has inflicted,
- 5 attempted to inflict, or made a serious threat of inflicting
- 6 substantial physical harm to another that resulted in the patient
- 7 being placed in the facility.
- 8 SECTION 38. Section 574.107, Health and Safety Code, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 574.107. COSTS. (a) The costs for a hearing under
- 11 this subchapter for a patient committed under this chapter shall be
- 12 paid in accordance with Sections 571.017 and 571.018.
- 13 (b) The county in which the applicable criminal charges are
- 14 pending or were adjudicated shall pay as provided by Subsection (a)
- 15 the costs of a hearing that is held under Section 574.106 to
- 16 evaluate the court-ordered administration of psychoactive
- 17 medication to a person under the jurisdiction of a criminal court[+
- 18 [(1) a patient ordered to receive mental health
- 19 services as described by Section 574.106(a)(1) after having been
- 20 determined to be incompetent to stand trial or having been
- 21 acquitted of an offense by reason of insanity; or
- 22 [(2) a patient who:
- [(A) is awaiting trial after having been
- 24 determined to be competent to stand trial; and
- 25 [(B) was ordered to receive mental health
- 26 services as described by Section 574.106(a)(2)].
- 27 SECTION 39. Section 574.110, Health and Safety Code, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 574.110. EXPIRATION OF ORDER. (a) An [Except as
- 3 provided by Subsection (b), an] order issued under Section 574.106
- 4 for a patient who is committed under this chapter expires on the
- 5 expiration or termination date of the order for temporary or
- 6 extended mental health services in effect when the order for
- 7 psychoactive medication is issued.
- 8 (b) This subsection applies only to a patient who is subject
- 9 to court-ordered inpatient mental health services or to a
- 10 jail-based competency restoration program under Chapter 46B, Code
- 11 of Criminal Procedure. An order issued under Section 574.106 for a
- 12 patient described by this subsection who, following the filing of a
- 13 report under Article 46B.079(b)(2) or 46B.109, Code of Criminal
- 14 Procedure, indicating the patient has attained competency to stand
- 15 <u>trial</u>, is returned to <u>court or</u> a correctional facility, as defined
- 16 by Section 1.07, Penal Code, to await trial in a criminal
- 17 proceeding, continues to be in effect until the earlier of the
- 18 following dates, as applicable:
- 19 (1) the 180th day after the date the defendant was
- 20 returned to the court or correctional facility;
- 21 (2) the date the defendant is acquitted, is convicted,
- 22 or enters a plea of guilty; or
- 23 (3) the date on which charges in the case are
- 24 dismissed.
- (c) An order issued under Section 574.106 for a patient
- 26 described by Subsection (b) who is recommitted for competency
- 27 restoration is extended until the 30th day after the date of the

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- 1 expiration of the previous order of the criminal court. A
- 2 subsequently issued order for psychoactive medication for a patient
- 3 described by Subsection (b) is extended until the 30th day after the
- 4 date of the expiration of the commitment order by the criminal
- 5 court, including any extension that may be ordered under Article
- 6 46B.080, Code of Criminal Procedure. A new order for psychoactive
- 7 medication may be sought from a court with probate jurisdiction
- 8 during any extension under this subsection.
- 9 (d) An order issued under Section 574.106 for a patient
- 10 <u>subject to court-ordered inpatient mental health services under</u>
- 11 Article 46C.256, Code of Criminal Procedure, is extended until the
- 12 30th day after the date of the expiration of the previous order of
- 13 the criminal court, including any renewal of the order under
- 14 Article 46C.261, Code of Criminal Procedure. A new order for
- 15 psychoactive medication may be sought from a court with probate
- 16 jurisdiction during any extension under this subsection.
- 17 SECTION 40. The following provisions are repealed:
- 18 (1) Article 46B.071(b), Code of Criminal Procedure;
- 19 (2) Articles 46B.073(c), (d), (e), and (f), Code of
- 20 Criminal Procedure; and
- 21 (3) Sections 574.035(d) and 574.0355(b), Health and
- 22 Safety Code.
- SECTION 41. Not later than January 1, 2026, each local law
- 24 enforcement agency in this state shall submit the initial report
- 25 required by Article 16.23(d), Code of Criminal Procedure, as added
- 26 by this Act.
- 27 SECTION 42. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.