

Amend SB 55 (house committee printing) at the bottom of page 1 by adding the following new appropriately lettered subsections and relettering subsequent subsections of Section 531.0992, Government Code, accordingly:

() The private entity that supports and administers the grant program shall obtain or secure contributions to the grant program in an amount of money or other consideration at least equal in value to the amount of money awarded to grant recipients by the commission under the grant program. The money or other consideration obtained or secured by the private entity may, as determined by the executive commissioner, include cash or in-kind contributions from private contributors or local governments but may not include state or federal funds.

() Money appropriated to, or obtained by, the commission for the grant program must be disbursed directly to grant recipients by the commission, as authorized by the executive commissioner. Money or other consideration obtained or secured by the private entity must be disbursed or provided directly to grant recipients by the private entity, private contributors, or local governments, as authorized by the executive commissioner.

() All grants awarded under the grant program must be used for the sole purpose of supporting community programs that provide mental health care services and treatment to veterans and their families and that coordinate mental health care services for veterans and their families with other transition support services.