

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties assert that the family unit is one of the most important aspects of an individual's support network; however, family members are not sufficiently involved in the veterans court program. H.B. 3729 seeks to more thoroughly address the needs of veterans by better integrating familial support systems into the veterans court program.

H.B. 3729 amends current law relating to inclusion of family members of veterans court program participants in the treatment and services provided to the participants under the program.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 124.001(a), Government Code, as follows:

- (a) Redefines veterans court program to include a program that has the essential characteristic of inclusion of a participant's family members who agree to be involved in the treatment and services provided to the participant under the program.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2015.