

1-1 By: Naishtat (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 1329
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 11, 2015;
 1-3 May 12, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on State
 1-4 Affairs; May 21, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 21, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the payment of costs incurred by the involuntary
 1-20 commitment of persons with mental illness.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Sections [571.018](#)(a) and (b), Health and Safety
 1-23 Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-24 (a) The costs for a hearing or proceeding under this
 1-25 subtitle shall be paid by:

1-26 (1) the county in which ~~[that initiates]~~ emergency
 1-27 detention procedures are initiated under Subchapter A or B, Chapter
 1-28 573; or

1-29 (2) if no emergency detention procedures are
 1-30 initiated, the county that accepts an application for court-ordered
 1-31 mental health services, issues an order for protective custody, or
 1-32 issues an order for temporary mental health services.

1-33 (b) The county responsible for the costs of a hearing or
 1-34 proceeding under Subsection (a) shall pay the costs of all
 1-35 subsequent hearings or proceedings for that person under this
 1-36 subtitle until the person is discharged from mental health
 1-37 services. The county may not pay the costs from any fees collected
 1-38 under Section [51.704](#), Government Code. The costs shall be billed by
 1-39 the clerk of the court conducting the hearings.

1-40 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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