

Amend SB 224 (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 102.051(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The institute:

(1) may make grants to provide funds to public or private persons to implement the Texas Cancer Plan, and may make grants to institutions of learning and to advanced medical research facilities and collaborations in this state for:

(A) research into the causes of and cures for all types of cancer in humans;

(B) facilities for use in research into the causes of and cures for cancer;

(C) research, including translational research, to develop therapies, protocols, medical pharmaceuticals, or procedures for the cure or substantial mitigation of all types of cancer in humans; ~~and~~

(D) cancer prevention and control programs in this state to mitigate the incidence of all types of cancer in humans; and

(E) programs designed to encourage access to and participation in cancer clinical trials and associated research and community outreach;

(2) may support institutions of learning and advanced medical research facilities and collaborations in this state in all stages in the process of finding the causes of all types of cancer in humans and developing cures, from laboratory research to clinical trials and including programs to address the problem of access to advanced cancer treatment;

(3) may establish the appropriate standards and oversight bodies to ensure the proper use of funds authorized under this chapter for cancer research and facilities development;

(4) may employ necessary staff to provide administrative support;

(5) shall continuously monitor contracts and agreements authorized by this chapter and ensure that each grant

recipient complies with the terms and conditions of the grant contract;

(6) shall ensure that all grant proposals comply with this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter before the proposals are submitted to the oversight committee for approval; and

(7) shall establish procedures to document that the institute, its employees, and its committee members appointed under this chapter comply with all laws and rules governing the peer review process and conflicts of interest.

SECTION _____. The heading to Section 102.155, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 102.155. AD HOC ADVISORY COMMITTEES [~~COMMITTEE~~].

SECTION _____. Section 102.155(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The oversight committee shall create [~~an~~] ad hoc committees [~~committee~~] of experts to address childhood cancers and access to and participation in cancer clinical trials. The oversight committee, as necessary, may create additional ad hoc committees of experts to advise the oversight committee on issues relating to cancer.

SECTION _____. Section 102.203(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Except as otherwise provided by this section, money awarded under this subchapter may be used for authorized expenses, including honoraria, salaries and benefits, travel, conference fees and expenses, consumable supplies, other operating expenses, contracted research and development, capital equipment, [~~and~~] construction or renovation of state or private facilities, and reimbursement for costs incurred by cancer clinical trial participants that are related to the participation, including transportation and lodging.