

Amend SB 1929 by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill as appropriate:

SECTION _____. Chapter 34, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 34.0156 to read as follows:

Sec. 34.0156. REPORT ON MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. (a) Not later than September 1, 2019, the task force, with assistance from the Texas Medical Board, Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners, Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists, Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, and Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors, shall:

(1) identify:

(A) the number of women seeking mental health services from a mental health care provider licensed by any of the boards listed in Subsection (a) relating to postpartum depression;

(B) the types of mental health services described by Paragraph (A) sought from the licensed provider and any mental health service sought that was outside the provider's scope of practice, including the prescription of medication; and

(C) the average number of visits by a woman described by Paragraph (A) with the mental health care provider;

(2) submit a report to the Sunset Advisory Commission that identifies the information described by Subdivision (1) but does not include any identifying information of a patient; and

(3) assist the Sunset Advisory Commission in analyzing the data submitted in the report to determine the need for mental health care providers in this state and the providers' ability to meet those mental health services needs.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sunset Advisory Commission shall review each agency assisting the task force in completing the study and report required under Subsection (a) during the period in which state agencies scheduled to be reviewed or abolished in 2021 are reviewed, and unless continued in existence as provided by Chapter 325, Government Code, each agency is abolished and the law governing each agency and the law administered by the agency expire September 1, 2021.