

1-1 By: Price, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) H.B. No. 13
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 18, 2017;
 1-3 April 24, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Health
 1-4 & Human Services; May 17, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;
 1-6 May 17, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 13 By: Schwertner

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the creation of a matching grant program to support
 1-22 community mental health programs for individuals experiencing
 1-23 mental illness.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 531, Government Code, is
 1-26 amended by adding Section 531.0999 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 531.0999. GRANT PROGRAM FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.

1-28 (a) To the extent money is appropriated to the commission for that
 1-29 purpose, the commission shall establish a matching grant program
 1-30 for the purpose of supporting community mental health programs
 1-31 providing services and treatment to individuals experiencing
 1-32 mental illness.

1-33 (b) The commission shall ensure that each grant recipient
 1-34 obtains or secures contributions to match awarded grants in amounts
 1-35 of money or other consideration as required by Subsection (h). The
 1-36 money or other consideration obtained or secured by the recipient,
 1-37 as determined by the executive commissioner, may include cash or
 1-38 in-kind contributions from any person but may not include money
 1-39 from state or federal funds.

1-40 (c) Money appropriated to or obtained by the commission for
 1-41 the matching grant program must be disbursed directly to grant
 1-42 recipients by the commission, as authorized by the executive
 1-43 commissioner.

1-44 (d) A grant awarded under the matching grant program and
 1-45 matching amounts must be used for the sole purpose of supporting
 1-46 community programs that provide mental health care services and
 1-47 treatment to individuals with a mental illness and that coordinate
 1-48 mental health care services for individuals with a mental illness
 1-49 with other transition support services.

1-50 (e) The commission shall select grant recipients based on
 1-51 the submission of applications or proposals by nonprofit and
 1-52 governmental entities. The executive commissioner shall develop
 1-53 criteria for the evaluation of those applications or proposals and
 1-54 the selection of grant recipients. The selection criteria must:

1-55 (1) evaluate and score:

1-56 (A) fiscal controls for the project;

1-57 (B) project effectiveness;

1-58 (C) project cost; and

1-59 (D) an applicant's previous experience with
 1-60 grants and contracts;

2-1 (2) address whether the services proposed in the
2-2 application or proposal would duplicate services already available
2-3 in the applicant's service area;

2-4 (3) address the possibility of and method for making
2-5 multiple awards; and

2-6 (4) include other factors that the executive
2-7 commissioner considers relevant.

2-8 (f) A nonprofit or governmental entity that applies for a
2-9 grant under this section must notify each local mental health
2-10 authority with a local service area that is covered wholly or partly
2-11 by the entity's proposed community mental health program and must
2-12 provide in the entity's application a letter of support from each
2-13 local mental health authority with a local service area that is
2-14 covered wholly or partly by the entity's proposed community mental
2-15 health program. The commission shall consider a local mental
2-16 health authority's written input before awarding a grant under this
2-17 section and may take any recommendations made by the authority.

2-18 (g) The commission shall condition each grant awarded to a
2-19 recipient under the program on the recipient obtaining or securing
2-20 matching funds from non-state sources in amounts of money or other
2-21 consideration as required by Subsection (h).

2-22 (h) A community that receives a grant under this section is
2-23 required to leverage funds in an amount:

2-24 (1) equal to 50 percent of the grant amount if the
2-25 community mental health program is located in a county with a
2-26 population of less than 250,000;

2-27 (2) equal to 100 percent of the grant amount if the
2-28 community mental health program is located in a county with a
2-29 population of at least 250,000; and

2-30 (3) equal to the percentage of the grant amount
2-31 otherwise required by this subsection for the largest county in
2-32 which a community mental health program is located if the community
2-33 mental health program is located in more than one county.

2-34 (i) Except as provided by Subsection (j), from money
2-35 appropriated to the commission for each fiscal year to implement
2-36 this section, the commission shall reserve 40 percent of that total
2-37 to be awarded only as grants to a community mental health program
2-38 located in a county with a population not greater than 250,000.

2-39 (j) To the extent money appropriated to the commission to
2-40 implement this section for a fiscal year remains available to the
2-41 commission after the commission selects grant recipients for the
2-42 fiscal year, the commission shall make grants available using the
2-43 money remaining for the fiscal year through a competitive request
2-44 for proposal process, without regard to the limitation provided by
2-45 Subsection (i).

2-46 (k) Not later than December 1 of each calendar year, the
2-47 executive commissioner shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant
2-48 governor, and each member of the legislature a report evaluating
2-49 the success of the matching grant program created by this section.

2-50 (l) The executive commissioner shall adopt any rules
2-51 necessary to implement the matching grant program under this
2-52 section.

2-53 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect only if a specific
2-54 appropriation for the implementation of the Act is provided in a
2-55 general appropriations act of the 85th Legislature.

2-56 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-57 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-58 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-59 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-60 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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