

1-1 By: Lucio S.B. No. 805
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 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Veteran Affairs &
 1-4 Border Security; April 24, 2017, reported adversely, with
 1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays
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1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 805 By: Lucio

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the duties of the Texas Women Veterans Program.
 1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-21 SECTION 1. Section 434.203, Government Code, is amended to
 1-22 read as follows:
 1-23 Sec. 434.203. COORDINATOR. (a) The executive director
 1-24 shall designate a women veterans coordinator for this state.
 1-25 (b) The coordinator or the coordinator's designee shall
 1-26 serve as a liaison between state and federal agencies and
 1-27 organizations that provide benefits and services to women veterans.
 1-28 SECTION 2. Section 434.204, Government Code, is amended to
 1-29 read as follows:
 1-30 Sec. 434.204. GENERAL PROGRAM DUTIES. The program shall:
 1-31 (1) provide assistance to the women veterans of this
 1-32 state as provided by this subchapter;
 1-33 (2) perform outreach functions to improve the
 1-34 awareness of women veterans of their eligibility for federal and
 1-35 state veterans' benefits and services;
 1-36 (3) assess the needs of women veterans with respect to
 1-37 benefits and services;
 1-38 (4) review programs, research projects, and other
 1-39 initiatives designed to address the needs of the women veterans of
 1-40 this state;
 1-41 (5) make recommendations to the executive director
 1-42 regarding the improvement of benefits and services to women
 1-43 veterans; ~~and~~
 1-44 (6) incorporate issues concerning women veterans in
 1-45 commission planning regarding veterans' benefits and services; and
 1-46 (7) in collaboration with appropriate state agencies,
 1-47 provide information to women veterans on services and resources
 1-48 provided by state or federal agencies and organizations to women
 1-49 veterans.
 1-50 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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