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H.B. No. 1802

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study on the use of alternative therapies for treating
post-traumatic stress disorder.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. (a) In this Act, "commission" means the Health
and Human Services Commission.

(b) The commission, in collaboration with Baylor College of
Medicine and in partnership with a military veterans hospital or a
medical center that provides medical care to veterans, shall
conduct a study on the efficacy of using alternative therapies,
including the use of 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA),
psilocybin, and ketamine, in the treatment of veterans who suffer
from post-traumatic stress disorder.

(c) In conducting the study described by Subsection (b) of
this section, the commission in collaboration with the Baylor
College of Medicine shall:

(1) perform a clinical trial on the therapeutic
efficacy of using psilocybin in the treatment of
treatment-resistant post-traumatic stress disorder in veterans;
and

(2) review current literature regarding:

(A) the safety and efficacy of
3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), psilocybin, and
ketamine in the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder; and

1 (B) the access veterans have to
2 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), psilocybin, and
3 ketamine for treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder in the
4 United States.

5 (d) The commission shall prepare and submit to the governor,
6 the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of
7 representatives, and each member of the legislature:

8 (1) quarterly reports on the progress of the study
9 conducted under this section; and

10 (2) not later than December 1, 2024, a written report
11 containing the results of the study conducted under this section
12 and any recommendations for legislative or other action.

13 (e) The commission shall ensure any protected health
14 information collected during a clinical trial conducted under
15 Subsection (c) of this section and reported under Subsection (d) of
16 this section does not personally identify an individual.

17 (f) This Act expires September 1, 2025.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.