

1-1 By: Hunter, Collier, Neave H.B. No. 4074
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Menéndez)
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2021;
 1-4 May 12, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &
 1-5 Human Services; May 20, 2021, reported favorably by the following
 1-6 vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 20, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to the collection and use of suicide data by the statewide
 1-21 behavioral health coordinating council.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 531.476, Government Code, is amended to
 1-24 read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 531.476. POWERS AND DUTIES. (a) The council:

1-26 (1) shall develop and monitor the implementation of a
 1-27 five-year statewide behavioral health strategic plan;

1-28 (2) shall develop a biennial coordinated statewide
 1-29 behavioral health expenditure proposal;

1-30 (3) shall annually publish an updated inventory of
 1-31 behavioral health programs and services that are funded by the
 1-32 state that includes a description of how those programs and
 1-33 services further the purpose of the statewide behavioral health
 1-34 strategic plan;

1-35 (4) may create subcommittees to carry out the
 1-36 council's duties under this subchapter; and

1-37 (5) may facilitate opportunities to increase
 1-38 collaboration for the effective expenditure of available federal
 1-39 and state funds for behavioral and mental health services in this
 1-40 state.

1-41 (b) The council shall include statewide suicide prevention
 1-42 efforts in its five-year statewide behavioral health strategic plan
 1-43 under Subsection (a).

1-44 SECTION 2. Subchapter M-1, Chapter 531, Government Code, is
 1-45 amended by adding Section 531.477 to read as follows:

1-46 Sec. 531.477. SUICIDE PREVENTION SUBCOMMITTEE; SUICIDE
 1-47 DATA REPORTS. (a) The council shall create a suicide prevention
 1-48 subcommittee to focus on statewide suicide prevention efforts using
 1-49 information collected by the council from available sources of
 1-50 suicide data reports. The suicide prevention subcommittee shall
 1-51 establish guidelines for the frequent use of those reports in
 1-52 carrying out the council's purpose under this subchapter.

1-53 (b) The subcommittee created under this section shall
 1-54 establish a method for identifying how suicide data reports are
 1-55 used to make policy.

1-56 (c) Public or private entities that collect information
 1-57 regarding suicide and suicide prevention may provide suicide data
 1-58 reports to commission staff designated by the executive
 1-59 commissioner to receive those reports.

1-60 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-61 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

2-1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-3 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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