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- 2 relating to a veterans suicide prevention campaign.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 434, Government Code, is
- 5 amended by adding Section 434.0241 to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 434.0241. VETERANS SUICIDE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN. (a)
- 7 The Texas Veterans Commission shall conduct a suicide prevention
- 8 campaign to provide veterans with information regarding suicide
- 9 prevention.
- 10 (b) In conducting the suicide prevention campaign, the
- 11 commission shall establish a dedicated Internet website to provide
- 12 veterans with information regarding suicide prevention.
- 13 (c) The commission shall collaborate with, and may contract
- 14 with, community-based, nonprofit, or private organizations to
- 15 conduct the suicide prevention campaign under this section.
- 16 (d) The commission may solicit and accept gifts and grants
- 17 for purposes of conducting the suicide prevention campaign under
- 18 this section.
- 19 SECTION 2. Not later than March 1, 2024, the Texas Veterans
- 20 Commission shall:
- 21 (1) establish the veterans suicide prevention
- 22 campaign as required under Section 434.0241, Government Code, as
- 23 added by this Act; and
- 24 (2) adopt any rules necessary to implement the

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- 1 campaign.
- 2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.