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H.B. No. 4421

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4421:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to available resources of certain state agencies to support and sustain peer-recovery organizations in this state.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 547, Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter J to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER J. PEER-RECOVERY ORGANIZATIONS

Sec. 547.0451. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Mental health condition" means a condition, other than a single diagnosis of an intellectual or developmental disability or a substance use disorder, that substantially impairs an individual's:

(A) thoughts, perception of reality, emotional process, or judgment;

(B) behavior; or

(C) ability to participate in daily routines.

(2) "Peer-recovery organization" means a nonprofit organization that:

(A) is wholly or partly operated and governed by members of the community, with at least 51 percent of those members identifying as persons recovering from a substance use disorder or lived experience with a mental health condition;

(B) mobilizes resources from inside and outside of a community to increase the prevalence and quality of recovery

1 services for persons with mental health conditions or substance use  
2 disorders and their affected family members; and

3 (C) delivers peer support services provided only  
4 by persons recovering from a substance use disorder or lived  
5 experience with a mental health condition who are managed or  
6 supervised only by persons recovering from a substance use disorder  
7 or lived experience with a mental health condition.

8 (3) "Substance use disorder" means the recurrent use  
9 of alcohol or drugs that causes significant clinical and functional  
10 impairment, such as health problems, disability, and failure to  
11 complete major responsibilities at work, school, or home.

12 Sec. 547.0452. ASSISTANCE FROM CERTAIN STATE AGENCIES. The  
13 following state agencies shall identify available resources,  
14 including funding, training, or technical assistance, to support  
15 and sustain peer-recovery organizations in this state:

- 16 (1) the Health and Human Services Commission;  
17 (2) the Department of State Health Services;  
18 (3) the Department of Family and Protective Services;  
19 (4) the Texas Department of Housing and Community  
20 Affairs;  
21 (5) the Texas Department of Criminal Justice;  
22 (6) the Texas Juvenile Justice Department; and  
23 (7) the Texas Veterans Commission.

24 Sec. 547.0453. BIENNIAL REPORT. Not later than August 1 of  
25 each even-numbered year, each state agency listed in Section  
26 547.0452 shall prepare and submit a written report to the  
27 legislature describing and detailing the state agency's available

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1 resources to support and sustain peer-recovery organizations in  
2 this state.

3       SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.