

AN ACT

relating to inpatient competency restoration services.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle C, Title 7, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Chapter 580 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 580. INPATIENT COMPETENCY RESTORATION SERVICES

Sec. 580.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) "Commission" means the Health and Human Services Commission.

(2) "Competency restoration" has the meaning assigned by Article 46B.001, Code of Criminal Procedure.

(3) "Residential care facility" has the meaning assigned by Section 591.003.

Sec. 580.002. APPLICABILITY. This chapter applies to a facility that contracts or subcontracts with the commission to provide inpatient competency restoration services for an individual to stand trial in accordance with Chapter 46B, Code of Criminal Procedure, or that subcontracts to provide those services.

Sec. 580.003. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING. The executive commissioner by rule shall require each facility to which this chapter applies to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the county and municipality in which the facility is located and each local mental health authority and local behavioral health authority that operates in the county or municipality, as

1 applicable, to outline the respective powers and duties of the
2 parties with respect to inpatient competency restoration services.

3 Sec. 580.004. ANNUAL REPORT TO COMMISSION. (a) The
4 commission shall require each facility to which this chapter
5 applies to annually provide to the commission, in the form and
6 manner the commission requires, the following information for the
7 preceding year regarding individuals who received inpatient
8 competency restoration services at the facility:

9 (1) the total number of individuals who received
10 inpatient competency restoration services at the facility and the
11 number of those individuals who were restored to competency;

12 (2) for those individuals who were restored to
13 competency, the average number of days the individuals received
14 services at the facility;

15 (3) the number of individuals who were restored to
16 competency after receiving services at the facility for not more
17 than 60 days;

18 (4) the number of individuals who were not restored to
19 competency within the initial restoration period and for whom a
20 treatment extension was sought;

21 (5) the number of individuals who were not restored to
22 competency and who were transferred to an inpatient mental health
23 facility or residential care facility; and

24 (6) for individuals who were not restored to
25 competency, the average length of time between the date a
26 determination was made that an individual was not restored to
27 competency and the date the individual was transferred to an

1 inpatient mental health facility or residential care facility.

2 (b) The data in the report must be disaggregated by whether
3 the individual was charged with a misdemeanor or felony offense and
4 by any other appropriate demographic factors determined by the
5 commission.

6 Sec. 580.005. ANNUAL REPORT TO LEGISLATURE. Not later than
7 August 1 of each year, the commission shall prepare and submit to
8 the legislature a written report on inpatient competency
9 restoration services in this state for the state fiscal year
10 preceding the year in which the report is due. The report must
11 include:

12 (1) a performance evaluation of each facility to which
13 this chapter applies;

14 (2) aggregated demographic data on individuals who
15 received inpatient competency restoration services at a facility to
16 which this chapter applies, including the criminal offenses the
17 individuals were charged with, the individuals' countries of
18 origin, and the individuals' diagnoses, if applicable; and

19 (3) the overall cost of providing inpatient competency
20 restoration services at a facility to which this chapter applies
21 compared to the cost of:

22 (A) providing forensic inpatient competency
23 restoration services at a state hospital; and

24 (B) other competency restoration programs
25 managed by the commission.

26 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding Section 580.005, Health and
27 Safety Code, as added by this Act, the Health and Human Services

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1 Commission is not required to submit the initial report required by
2 that section until August 1, 2027.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 528 passed the Senate on April 24, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 26, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 528 passed the House, with amendment, on May 22, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor