

1-1 By: Huffman S.B. No. 1264
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 3, 2017; March 13, 2017, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 April 3, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 3, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to psychological counseling for certain grand jurors.
 1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-21 SECTION 1. Article 56.04(f), Code of Criminal Procedure, is
 1-22 amended to read as follows:
 1-23 (f) The commissioners court may approve a program in which
 1-24 the crime victim liaison or victim assistance coordinator may offer
 1-25 not more than 10 hours of post-investigation or posttrial
 1-26 psychological counseling for a person who serves as a grand juror,
 1-27 alternate grand juror, juror, or [an] alternate juror in a grand
 1-28 jury investigation or criminal trial involving graphic evidence or
 1-29 testimony and who requests the post-investigation or posttrial
 1-30 psychological counseling not later than the 180th day after the
 1-31 date on which the grand jury or jury [~~in the trial~~] is dismissed.
 1-32 The crime victim liaison or victim assistance coordinator may
 1-33 provide the counseling using a provider that assists local criminal
 1-34 justice agencies in providing similar services to victims.
 1-35 SECTION 2. Section 61.003(a), Government Code, is amended
 1-36 to read as follows:
 1-37 (a) Each person who reports for jury service shall be
 1-38 personally provided a form letter that when signed by the person
 1-39 directs the county treasurer to donate all, or a specific amount
 1-40 designated by the person, of the person's daily reimbursement under
 1-41 this chapter to:
 1-42 (1) the compensation to victims of crime fund under
 1-43 Subchapter B, Chapter 56, Code of Criminal Procedure;
 1-44 (2) the child welfare, child protective services, or
 1-45 child services board of the county appointed under Section 264.005,
 1-46 Family Code, that serves abused and neglected children;
 1-47 (3) any program selected by the commissioners court
 1-48 that is operated by a public or private nonprofit organization and
 1-49 that provides shelter and services to victims of family violence;
 1-50 (4) any other program approved by the commissioners
 1-51 court of the county, including a program established under Article
 1-52 56.04(f), Code of Criminal Procedure, that offers psychological
 1-53 counseling [~~to jurors~~] in criminal cases involving graphic evidence
 1-54 or testimony; or
 1-55 (5) a veterans court program established by the
 1-56 commissioners court as provided by Chapter 124.
 1-57 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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