

1-1 By: Walle, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Lucio) H.B. No. 2330
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2019;
1-3 April 24, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 6, 2019, reported favorably by
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 6, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to a study of an intake system and state case management
1-18 system for state and federal disaster assistance.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. (a) In this section:

1-21 (1) "Commission" means the Health and Human Services
1-22 Commission.

1-23 (2) "Division" means the Texas Division of Emergency
1-24 Management.

1-25 (b) The commission and the division shall conduct a study to
1-26 determine the feasibility of developing:

1-27 (1) a single intake form that would compile all
1-28 information needed to obtain disaster assistance from multiple
1-29 state and federal programs for an individual who needs assistance
1-30 as a result of a disaster;

1-31 (2) an automated intake system for collecting the
1-32 information; and

1-33 (3) a state case management system for disaster
1-34 assistance, administered by the commission, that is similar to the
1-35 Federal Emergency Management Agency case management system and
1-36 includes contracting with nonprofit vendors to hire caseworkers and
1-37 provide case management services.

1-38 (c) The commission and the division shall coordinate with
1-39 the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other appropriate state
1-40 and federal agencies to conduct the study under Subsection (b) of
1-41 this section. The commission and the division must determine:

1-42 (1) whether the Federal Emergency Management Agency
1-43 and other appropriate state and federal agencies will accept the
1-44 single intake form;

1-45 (2) the cost of developing the single intake form and
1-46 the cost of developing and maintaining the automated intake system;
1-47 and

1-48 (3) the cost of developing and maintaining a state
1-49 case management system and the extent to which federal
1-50 reimbursement is available.

1-51 (d) Not later than September 1, 2020, the commission and the
1-52 division shall prepare and submit a written report to the
1-53 legislature containing the findings of the study conducted under
1-54 Subsection (b) of this section and any recommendations to the
1-55 legislature.

1-56 (e) The commission and the division may implement the single
1-57 intake form, automated intake system, and state case management
1-58 system if the commission and the division determine, based on the
1-59 study conducted under Subsection (b) of this section, that doing so
1-60 will result in no additional cost to the state.

1-61 SECTION 2. This Act expires January 1, 2021.

2-1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-5 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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