

1-1 By: Price, Raymond (Senate Sponsor - Nelson) H.B. No. 2813
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 2019;
 1-3 May 10, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Health &
 1-4 Human Services; May 17, 2019, reported favorably by the following
 1-5 vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 17, 2019, 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 the statewide behavioral health coordinating council.
 1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-21 SECTION 1. Chapter 531, Government Code, is amended by
 1-22 adding Subchapter M-1 to read as follows:
 1-23 SUBCHAPTER M-1. STATEWIDE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL
 1-24 Sec. 531.471. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "council"
 1-25 means the statewide behavioral health coordinating council.
 1-26 Sec. 531.472. PURPOSE. The council is established to
 1-27 ensure a strategic statewide approach to behavioral health
 1-28 services.
 1-29 Sec. 531.473. COMPOSITION OF COUNCIL. (a) The council is
 1-30 composed of at least one representative designated by each of the
 1-31 following entities:
 1-32 (1) the governor's office;
 1-33 (2) the Texas Veterans Commission;
 1-34 (3) the commission;
 1-35 (4) the Department of State Health Services;
 1-36 (5) the Department of Family and Protective Services;
 1-37 (6) the Texas Civil Commitment Office;
 1-38 (7) The University of Texas Health Science Center at
 1-39 Houston;
 1-40 (8) The University of Texas Health Science Center at
 1-41 Tyler;
 1-42 (9) the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center;
 1-43 (10) the Texas Department of Criminal Justice;
 1-44 (11) the Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with
 1-45 Medical or Mental Impairments;
 1-46 (12) the Commission on Jail Standards;
 1-47 (13) the Texas Indigent Defense Commission;
 1-48 (14) the court of criminal appeals;
 1-49 (15) the Texas Juvenile Justice Department;
 1-50 (16) the Texas Military Department;
 1-51 (17) the Texas Education Agency;
 1-52 (18) the Texas Workforce Commission;
 1-53 (19) the Health Professions Council, representing:
 1-54 (A) the State Board of Dental Examiners;
 1-55 (B) the Texas State Board of Pharmacy;
 1-56 (C) the State Board of Veterinary Medical
 1-57 Examiners;
 1-58 (D) the Texas Optometry Board;
 1-59 (E) the Texas Board of Nursing; and
 1-60 (F) the Texas Medical Board; and
 1-61 (20) the Texas Department of Housing and Community

2-1 Affairs.

2-2 (b) The executive commissioner shall determine the number
2-3 of representatives that each entity may designate to serve on the
2-4 council.

2-5 (c) The council may authorize another state agency or
2-6 institution that provides specific behavioral health services with
2-7 the use of appropriated money to designate a representative to the
2-8 council.

2-9 (d) A council member serves at the pleasure of the
2-10 designating entity.

2-11 Sec. 531.474. PRESIDING OFFICER. The mental health
2-12 statewide coordinator shall serve as the presiding officer of the
2-13 council.

2-14 Sec. 531.475. MEETINGS. The council shall meet at least
2-15 once quarterly or more frequently at the call of the presiding
2-16 officer.

2-17 Sec. 531.476. POWERS AND DUTIES. The council:

2-18 (1) shall develop and monitor the implementation of a
2-19 five-year statewide behavioral health strategic plan;

2-20 (2) shall develop a biennial coordinated statewide
2-21 behavioral health expenditure proposal;

2-22 (3) shall annually publish an updated inventory of
2-23 behavioral health programs and services that are funded by the
2-24 state that includes a description of how those programs and
2-25 services further the purpose of the statewide behavioral health
2-26 strategic plan;

2-27 (4) may create subcommittees to carry out the
2-28 council's duties under this subchapter; and

2-29 (5) may facilitate opportunities to increase
2-30 collaboration for the effective expenditure of available federal
2-31 and state funds for behavioral and mental health services in this
2-32 state.

2-33 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-34 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-35 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-36 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-37 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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