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S.B. No. 397

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the governing bodies of and the
consultation policies of local mental health authorities with
respect to local law enforcement agencies.

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

SECTION 1. Section 533.035, Health and Safety Code, is
amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) If a local mental health authority has a governing
body, the governing body must include one representative of a local
law enforcement agency of a county or municipality in the local
authority's service area. If a local mental health authority does
not have a governing body, the local authority shall consult with a
designated representative of a local law enforcement agency of a
county or municipality in the local authority's service area
regarding the use of the funds received under Subsection (b).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.