

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Chapter 574, Health and Safety Code, establishes standards and procedures for both temporary and extended court-ordered mental health services. Recent revisions of the standard for extended mental health services created a technical discrepancy between two sections of the code. H.B. 330 would amend the code to make the language consistent with recent changes.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 330 amends the Health and Safety Code to make certain language consistent with recent changes.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 574.035(b), Health and Safety Code, to clarify that one of the conditions necessary for a judge to order a proposed patient to receive court-ordered extended outpatient mental health services is that a judge finds clear and convincing evidence that the patient is unable to participate in outpatient services both effectively and voluntarily, rather than either effectively or voluntarily.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.