

SENATE AMENDMENTS
2nd Printing

By: Lopez of Bexar, Hunter, Hefner, et al. H.B. No. 39

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to information and data regarding the incidence of veteran deaths in this state.

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

SECTION 1. Section 193.006, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(d) When the death certificate of a person to which this section applies is filed with the vital statistics unit, the department ~~[state registrar]~~ shall submit to ~~[notify]~~ the Texas Veterans Commission deidentified information on the person's:

(1) manner of death, only if the death was by suicide or homicide;

(2) age;

(3) race;

(4) previous use of psychotropic drugs;

(5) sex; and

(6) occupation.

(e) Not later than September 1 of each year, the Texas Veterans Commission shall prepare and submit to the standing committees of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over veterans affairs and publish on the commission's Internet website a written report that contains:

(1) aggregated data based on the information the

1 commission receives under Subsection (d) for the preceding year;
2 (2) an evaluation of that data; and
3 (3) any recommendations for legislative or other
4 action.

5 SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2027, the Texas
6 Veterans Commission shall prepare and submit the initial report
7 required by Section 193.006(e), Health and Safety Code, as added by
8 this Act.

9 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

ADOPTED

MAY 21 2025

Latey Law
Secretary of the Senate

By: *Tam Parker*

H.B. No. 39

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 39:

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Lacey Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. 1

BY: *Tan Parker*

1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 39 (senate committee report) in SECTION 1
2 of the bill as follows:

3 (1) Strike added Section 193.006(d)(4), Health and Safety
4 Code (page 1, lines 33 and 34), and renumber subsequent
5 subdivisions of that subsection accordingly.

6 (2) In added Section 193.006(e), Health and Safety Code
7 (page 1, line 38), between "the" and "standing", insert "governor,
8 lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and".

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 22, 2025

TO: Honorable Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB39 by Lopez, Ray (Relating to information and data regarding the incidence of veteran deaths in this state.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

It is assumed that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JMc, KDw, ER, APA

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Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 17, 2025

TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB39 by Lopez, Ray (relating to information and data regarding the incidence of veteran deaths in this state.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 14, 2025

TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB39 by Lopez, Ray (Relating to information and data regarding the incidence of veteran deaths in this state.), **As Engrossed**

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FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 27, 2025

TO: Honorable Cole Hefner, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety & Veterans' Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB39 by Lopez, Ray (relating to information and data regarding the incidence of veteran deaths in this state.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

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FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 16, 2025

TO: Honorable Cole Hefner, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety & Veterans' Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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