

Child  
Has MH/MR  
Issues

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# Chapter 55, Subchapter B

- Child with mental illness
- Meets Health and Safety Code Commitment Criteria (§ 571)
- Juvenile Proceedings are Stayed

# Health and Safety Code § 571

## Commitment Criteria

- Severe and Persistent Mental Illness
- Because of the Mental Illness
  - Person is likely to cause serious harm to self or others, or
  - Is suffering severe and abnormal mental, emotional, or physical distress
  - Experiencing substantial mental or physical deterioration of ability to function independently