

SUPPORT HB 3116

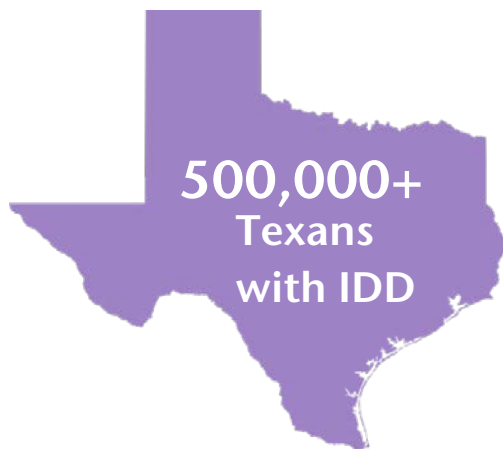
Best Practices for Jail Standards

Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (IDD) are overrepresented in the criminal justice system and are falling through the cracks. HB 3116 creates best practices that jails may implement when an individual with IDD is jailed so they receive fair and reasonable accommodations and access to justice.

What this bill **will** do:

1. Creates uniform best practices that jails may utilize when an individual with IDD is jailed.
2. Creates a time-limited taskforce to identify, study and make recommendations on how Texas jail can support people with IDD.

“Law enforcement officers are 7 x more likely to come into contact with an individual with IDD than the general population.”



Why is this needed?

Individuals with IDD make up approximately **2%** of the **population**, yet they represent as much as **10%** of the **jail and prison population**.

People with IDD are **more likely** than their similarly situated non-disabled peers to be **arrested, convicted, incarcerated, and serve longer sentences** without opportunity for probation or parole.