



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5925

House of Representatives, April 12, 2000

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. DYSON of the 94th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

An Act Concerning The Expenditures Of The Department Of Mental Health And Addiction Services.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (NEW) The Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services
2 shall review the operations of each hospital or other facility which
3 administers or provides programs or services and which is operated or
4 funded in whole or in part by the department in order to determine:
5 (1) The cost of providing various services at each such facility in
6 relation to the costs of providing the same services at other facilities;
7 (2) the availability to the recipients of such services, of similar services
8 at another facility in the same geographical area; (3) the effect of
9 closing such facilities or reducing or eliminating state funding for such
10 facilities. The commissioner shall submit findings and
11 recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General
12 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and
13 the budgets of state agencies not later than January 10, 2001, and
14 annually thereafter.

APP Committee Vote: Yea 50 Nay 0 JF

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: Minimal Cost

Affected Agencies: Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

State Impact:

The study and reporting requirements included in this bill will result in increased costs to the department. However, these costs are expected to be minimal and will require no additional appropriations.

OFA Bill Analysis

HB 5925

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPENDITURES OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES.**

SUMMARY:

This bill requires the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to review the programs and services of the department. The commissioner shall submit findings and recommendations not later than January 10, 2001 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budget of state agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 50 Nay 0