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sHB-6831

AN ACT CONCERNING THE OVERRIDE OF STEP THERAPY FOR CERTAIN MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS AND ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY DATA COLLECTION EFFORTS REGARDING STEP THERAPY.

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## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:***

<b>Municipalities</b>	<b>Effect</b>	<b>FY 24 \$</b>	<b>FY 25 \$</b>
Various Municipalities	Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

## ***Explanation***

The bill does not result in a fiscal impact to the state employee and retiree health plan or municipalities that participate in the Partnership Plan as step therapy is not required in the treatment of mental health conditions outlined in the bill. The step therapy override provisions may increase costs to certain fully insured municipal plans which currently require step therapy for treatment of schizophrenia, major depressive disorder, and bipolar disorder.

Section 3 establishes a task force to study data collection efforts regarding step therapy resulting in no fiscal impact to the state because the task force has the expertise to meet the requirements of the bill.

## ***The Out Years***

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.